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### HR 240

Personal Responsibility, Work, and Family Promotion Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Social Welfare Introduced: Jan 4, 2005

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### **Sponsor**

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Party: Republican • State: OH • Chamber: House

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Barton, Joe [R-TX-6]	$R \cdot TX$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Bilirakis, Michael [R-FL-9]	$R \cdot FL$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Boehner, John A. [R-OH-8]	$R \cdot OH$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Camp, Dave [R-MI-4]	$R \cdot MI$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Cantor, Eric [R-VA-7]	$R \cdot VA$		Jan 4, 2005
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Rep. English, Phil [R-PA-3]	$R \cdot PA$		Jan 4, 2005
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Rep. Herger, Wally [R-CA-2]	$R \cdot CA$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Johnson, Nancy L. [R-CT-5]	$R \cdot CT$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Kline, John [R-MN-2]	$R \cdot MN$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. McKeon, Howard P. "Buck" [R-CA-25]	$R \cdot CA$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Shaw, E. Clay, Jr. [R-FL-22]	$R \cdot FL$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Thomas, William M. [R-CA-22]	$R \cdot CA$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Weller, Jerry [R-IL-11]	$R \cdot IL$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	$R \cdot SC$		Jan 4, 2005
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]	$R \cdot GA$		Jan 6, 2005
Rep. Linder, John [R-GA-7]	$R \cdot GA$		Jan 26, 2005
Rep. Kennedy, Mark R. [R-MN-6]	$R \cdot MN$		Apr 20, 2005

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 17, 2005
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 15, 2005
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2005
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 4, 2005
Ways and Means Committee	House	Reported by	Mar 16, 2005

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

## **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 105	Related bill	<b>Jan 24, 2005:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S264-278)

Personal Responsibility, Work, and Family Promotion Act of 2005 - Amends title IV (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) (TANF) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to reauthorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services (Secretary) to award state family assistance grants.

Authorizes States to use grants for marriage promotion activities and requires the Secretary to make bonus grants to each State that has achieved formulated employment goals.

Revises requirements for: (1) the consideration of certain child care expenditures in determining State compliance with contingency fund requirements; (2) State work participation standards, incorporating a 40-hour work week standard, and creating a State superachiever participation rate credit; and (3) the use of TANF grants.

Replaces personal responsibility plans with family self-sufficiency plans.

Authorizes the Secretary to establish TANF performance goals and plans. Makes appropriations for research, demonstrations, and technical assistance.

Promotion and Support of Responsible Fatherhood and Healthy Marriage Act of 2005 - Amends the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to authorize the Secretary to make grants to public and nonprofit community entities for demonstration projects to test the effectiveness of various approaches to create a Fatherhood Program.

Permits States the option to make TANF programs mandatory partners with one-stop employment training centers.

Caring for Children Act of 2005 - Amends the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to specify consumer education information States are required to collect and disseminate.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code with respect to income tax benefits.

Reauthorizes funding for State child care entitlement programs and revises State requirements for child support payments.

Amends: (1) SSA title XI (General Provisions) to eliminate specified limitations on the Secretary's authority to approve demonstration projects and grant waivers; and (2) SSA title XVI (Supplemental Security Income) (SSI) to require the Commissioner of Social Security to review State agency blindness and disability determinations.

Authorizes the administering Secretary to authorize innovative State demonstration projects involving individual programs, or integrating multiple public assistance, employment security, and other programs to support working families.

Amends the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to require the Secretary to establish a program to make grants to States to provide food assistance and funds to operate employment and training programs for needy individuals.

Extends abstinence education funding and reauthorizes transitional medical assistance.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Oct 20, 2005: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Oct 20, 2005: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 23 20.
- Mar 15, 2005: Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Mar 15, 2005: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 7 4.
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- Feb 17, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- Feb 9, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- Feb 4, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- Jan 25, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Human Resources.
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