

HR 2739

College Affordability and Accountability Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Education

Introduced: May 26, 2005

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness. (Jun 22, 2005)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/house-bill/2739>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Tierney, John F. [D-MA-6]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (42 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		May 26, 2005
Rep. Barrow, John [D-GA-12]	D · GA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Becerra, Xavier [D-CA-31]	D · CA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Bishop, Timothy H. [D-NY-1]	D · NY		May 26, 2005
Rep. Cardoza, Dennis A. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-2]	D · HI		May 26, 2005
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		May 26, 2005
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		May 26, 2005
Rep. Emanuel, Rahm [D-IL-5]	D · IL		May 26, 2005
Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		May 26, 2005
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		May 26, 2005
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		May 26, 2005
Rep. Hinojosa, Ruben [D-TX-15]	D · TX		May 26, 2005
Rep. Holt, Rush [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		May 26, 2005
Rep. Jefferson, William J. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Jones, Stephanie Tubbs [D-OH-11]	D · OH		May 26, 2005
Rep. Kildee, Dale E. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		May 26, 2005
Rep. Kucinich, Dennis J. [D-OH-10]	D · OH		May 26, 2005
Rep. McCarthy, Carolyn [D-NY-4]	D · NY		May 26, 2005
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		May 26, 2005
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Meehan, Martin T. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]	D · CA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Ortiz, Solomon P. [D-TX-27]	D · TX		May 26, 2005
Rep. Owens, Major R. [D-NY-11]	D · NY		May 26, 2005
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		May 26, 2005
Rep. Reyes, Silvestre [D-TX-16]	D · TX		May 26, 2005
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-17]	D · OH		May 26, 2005
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-39]	D · CA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		May 26, 2005
Rep. Solis, Hilda L. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		May 26, 2005
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		May 26, 2005
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		May 26, 2005
Rep. Woolsey, Lynn C. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		May 26, 2005
Rep. Wu, David [D-OR-1]	D · OR		May 26, 2005
Rep. Oberstar, James L. [D-MN-8]	D · MN		Jun 8, 2005
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Jun 8, 2005
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Jun 23, 2005
Rep. Fattah, Chaka [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Jul 12, 2005
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Oct 26, 2005

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-8]	D · NY		Sep 6, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 22, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 26, 2005)

College Affordability and Accountability Act - Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA) to require state maintenance of effort in providing funding to public institutions of higher education (IHEs).

Requires all IHEs to plan, engage in, and report on cost containment strategies. Authorizes the Secretary of Education to conduct research on such strategies. Directs the Secretary to publish an annual report on college affordability and to disseminate certain data, including the net price tuition index (NTPI) for each IHE through a college price calculator on an enhanced college opportunities on line (COOL) website.

Establishes a Pell Plus program to provide an increased award to each Pell Grant recipient at IHEs that maintain specified types of: (1) low tuition; (2) guaranteed tuition; or (3) affordable tuition.

Establishes a program of grants for cooperative education for IHEs that restrain tuition increases.

Authorizes grants and contracts for cooperative education demonstration and innovation projects, training and resource centers, and research.

Directs the Secretary to commission the National Research Council to study the viability of developing and implementing standards in environmental, health, and safety areas to provide for differential regulation of: (1) industrial laboratories and facilities; and (2) research and teaching laboratories.

Authorizes the Secretary to select IHEs, IHE systems, or IHE consortia for voluntary participation in an articulation agreement demonstration program to specify the acceptability of courses in transfer toward meeting specific degree requirements, as a means to lower tuition prices for students.

Directs the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance to convene a task force of experts to: (1) determine the best methods to finance higher education in the long-term; (2) help public institutions utilize long-term budgeting; (3) review the trends of financing of higher education; and (4) define the role played by the states, the federal government, families, and outside entities in financing higher education, and determine the best methods to strengthen this partnership.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 22, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- **May 26, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **May 26, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **May 26, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.