

## HR 4059

TEACH Act of 2005

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform. (Nov 17, 2005)

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Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jul 11, 2006
Rep. Pickering, Charles W. "Chip" [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Jul 12, 2006

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 17, 2005
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## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Teacher Education for Autistic Children Act of 2005, or TEACH Act of 2005 - Amends the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) to require assisted local educational agencies to report on autism early intervention activities and personnel training.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Education, in making certain IDEA grants or contracts, shall give special consideration to: (1) the increased incidence of autism spectrum disorders among children; and (2) the increased demands placed on educational systems due to the complexity and symptoms of autism.

Directs the Secretary to: (1) carry out an expanded student loan forgiveness program for teachers of autistic children; and (2) establish a Task Force on Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD).

Requires the Secretary, in cooperation with a specified Department of Health and Human Services official, to: (1) award grants or contracts to develop an outreach plan for populations and individuals underserved by early screening and diagnosis for neurodevelopmental delays; and (2) report on services provided to individuals with ASD in accordance with IDEA and the Head Start Act.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Nov 17, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- **Nov 17, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
- **Oct 17, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 17, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

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