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Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2005

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Chamber: Senate

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]	R · SC		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Lott, Trent [R-MS]	R · MS		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Talent, Jim [R-MO]	R · MO		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	R · VA		Feb 17, 2005
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	R · TX		Apr 5, 2005
Sen. Santorum, Rick [R-PA]	R · PA		Apr 12, 2005
Sen. Burns, Conrad R. [R-MT]	R · MT		Apr 13, 2005
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Apr 13, 2005
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 14, 2005
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Apr 20, 2005
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		May 9, 2005
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Jun 9, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 27, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 921	Related bill	<b>Nov 17, 2006:</b> House Committee on Education and the Workforce Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 8, 2006.

## Summary (as of Jul 1, 2005)

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the Senate reported version is repeated here.)**

Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology Opportunity Act of 2005 - Establishes within the National Science Foundation (NSF) an Office of Minority Serving Institution Digital and Wireless Technology to: (1) award grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements (assistance) to eligible institutions to provide educational instruction in digital and wireless network technologies; and (2) strengthen the national digital and wireless infrastructure by increasing national investment in telecommunications and technology infrastructure at eligible institutions.

Requires the NSF Director to establish an advisory council on the best approaches for involving eligible institutions in supported activities and for reviewing and evaluating submitted proposals. Requires the council to include members from minority serving institutions.

Requires: (1) a matching recipient contribution of 25 percent of the federal assistance amount; and (2) annual reports from recipients to the NSF Director on the uses of such assistance.

Makes the following institutions eligible for such assistance: (1) a historically Black college or university; (2) a Hispanic-, Alaska Native-, or Native Hawaiian-serving institution; (3) a tribally controlled college or university; or (4) an institution determined to have enrolled a substantial number of minority, low-income students who received assistance under the Higher Education Act of 1965. Provides a matching funds requirement.

Authorizes appropriations for FY2006-FY2010.

## Actions Timeline

- **Jul 11, 2005:** Received in the House.
- **Jul 11, 2005:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 11, 2005:** Held at the desk.
- **Jul 1, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S7941-7942; text as passed Senate: CR S7942)
- **Jul 1, 2005:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7941-7942; text as passed Senate: CR S7942)
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Stevens without amendment. With written report No. 109-94.
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Stevens without amendment. With written report No. 109-94.
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 143.
- **Apr 14, 2005:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Mar 8, 2005:** Star Print ordered on the bill.
- **Feb 17, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 17, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1652-1653)
- **Feb 17, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.