

HR 4490

To provide higher education relief to individuals and institutions affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and for other purposes.

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**Policy Area:** Education

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Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** LA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 27, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 3975	Related bill	Nov 16, 2005: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Authorizes the Secretary of Education to waive or modify requirements under the Higher Education Act of 1965 for student financial assistance programs, or other student or institutional eligibility provisions, as necessary to reflect changes in the financial condition of affected students and their families resulting from Hurricane Katrina or Hurricane Rita (a Gulf hurricane disaster).

Cancels: (1) certain institutional repayments by institutions of higher education affected by a Gulf hurricane disaster; and (2) student loans for affected students during certain cancelled enrollment periods. Provides for: (1) temporary deferment of student loan repayment by affected individuals; and (2) waiver of consecutive service requirements for affected individuals under a program of student loan forgiveness for school teachers.

Directs the Secretary to make special efforts to notify affected students who qualify for a means-tested federal benefit program of their potential eligibility for a maximum Pell Grant and to disseminate informational materials regarding such eligibility.

### **Actions Timeline**

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