

## HR 5519

Teaching Geography is Fundamental Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 14, 2006
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1376	Related bill	<b>Jul 11, 2005:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of May 25, 2006)

Teaching Geography is Fundamental Act - Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to establish a geography education grant program under title II, Teacher Quality Enhancement.

Authorizes the Secretary of Education to award a grant to a national nonprofit educational organization or consortium, with 75% to be used for subgrants to institutions of higher education associated with state geographic alliances, nonprofit educational organizations, or state or local educational agencies.

Requires various grantee and subgrantee activities designed to expand geographic literacy among kindergarten through grade 12 students by improving their teachers' professional development programs offered through institutions of higher education. Includes among such activities state-based conferences to assess geographic literacy and identify improvement strategies.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 14, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- **Jul 14, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
- **May 25, 2006:** Introduced in House
- **May 25, 2006:** Introduced in House
- **May 25, 2006:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.