

S 1513

Predominantly Black Institution Act of 2007

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]

Party: Democratic • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 24, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 4216	Related bill	Feb 5, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

Predominantly Black Institution Act of 2007 - Amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide grants to Predominantly Black Institutions to: (1) enhance their capacity to serve more low and middle-income African-American students; (2) expand higher education opportunities for students eligible for student assistance under title IV of the Act by encouraging such students to prepare for college and persist in secondary and postsecondary education; and (3) strengthen their financial ability to serve the academic needs of such students.

Defines such institutions as accredited institutions serving at least 1,000 undergraduate students at least: (1) 50% of whom are pursuing a bachelor's or associate's degree; (2) 40% of whom are African-Americans; and (3) 50% of whom are low-income or first-generation college students. Requires the spending per full-time undergraduate student of such institutions to be low in comparison to that of institutions offering similar instruction.

Allows grant recipients to use up to 20% of their grant on an endowment fund, provided they raise nonfederal matching funds at least equal to the amount of the grant used for such endowment. Allots funding among institutions on the basis of their share of Pell Grant recipients, graduates, and graduates pursuing a higher degree.

Establishes a minimum allotment for each institution of \$250,000, which is to be ratably reduced if appropriations are insufficient to pay such amount.

Actions Timeline

- **May 24, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 24, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6875)
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