

## HR 1539

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 27, 2007

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

#### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Academic Partnerships Lead Us to Success Act or the A PLUS Act - Allows each state to submit to the Secretary of Education a declaration of intent, applicable for up to five years, permitting it to receive federal funds on a consolidated basis that would otherwise be directed toward specific programs furthering the stated purpose of title I (Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

Requires each declaration to be formulated by a combination of specified State Authorizing Officials or by referendum, and list the programs for which consolidated funding is requested. Allows states to use such funds for any educational purpose permitted by state law, but requires states to make certain assurances that they will use fiscal control and fund accounting procedures, abide by federal civil rights laws, and advance educational opportunities for the disadvantaged. Allows states to amend their declarations.

Requires each declaration state to: (1) inform the public of its student achievement assessment system and annually report on student progress toward the state's proficiency standards, disaggregating performance data by specified student groups; and (2) keep aggregate spending on elementary and secondary education at no less than 90% of such spending for the school year coinciding with this Act's enactment.

Limits administrative expenses.

Requires consolidated funds to be distributed in a manner that allows for the equitable, as determined by each state, participation of private schools.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jun 27, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
- **Mar 15, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 15, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.