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# S 2862

A bill to provide for National Science Foundation and National Aeronautics and Space Administration utilization of the Arecibo Observatory.

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Science, Technology, Communications

Introduced: Apr 15, 2008

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Apr 15, 2008)

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### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 15, 2008

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

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#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 3737	Related bill	Oct 15, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics.

#### **Summary** (as of Apr 15, 2008)

Instructs the Director of the National Science Foundation (NSF) to: (1) ensure that the Arecibo Observatory, in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, is fully funded to continue its research on Earth's ionosphere, its research in radio astronomy, and research on the solar system; and (2) coordinate with the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to ensure that the capabilities of the Arecibo Observatory continue to be available for NASA research in characterizing and mitigating Near Earth Objects, and other research as needed.

Actions Timeline
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