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Vietnam Education Foundation Amendments Act of 2008

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: International Affairs

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Current Status: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 957.

Latest Action: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 957. (Sep 12, 2008)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • State: MA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	$D \cdot DE$		Jun 6, 2008
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	$R \cdot NE$		Jun 6, 2008
Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	$R \cdot IN$		Jun 6, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 12, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Vietnam Education Foundation Amendments Act of 2008 - Amends the Vietnam Education Foundation Act of 2000 to establish the Vietnam Education Foundation within the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the Department of State. (Current law establishes the Foundation as an independent establishment in the executive branch.) Transfers all functions and assets of the Foundation to the Bureau.

Replaces the existing Board of Directors with a Vietnam Education Foundation Advisory Committee.

Revises fellowship provisions to provide: (1) fellowships for post-secondary studies at U.S. institutions of higher education (current law provides fellowships for graduate and postgraduate levels); and (2) fellowship priority for students studying the basic sciences.

Authorizes the Secretary of State, through the Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, to award grants to institutions of higher education for a partnership with the government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to establish an American Research College in Vietnam for undergraduate studies.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 12, 2008: Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Biden without amendment. With written report No. 110-458.
- Sep 12, 2008: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 957.
- Jun 24, 2008: Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- Jun 6, 2008: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 6, 2008: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.