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### HR 4449

Prescribe A Book Act

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

**Policy Area:** Education **Introduced:** Dec 11, 2007

Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. (Dec 11, 2007)

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Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	$R \cdot FL$	May 8, 2008
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Rep. Rothman, Steven R. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ	May 21, 2008
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D·IL	Jun 3, 2008
Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-15]	D · NY	Jun 3, 2008
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-51]	D · CA	Sep 9, 2008

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 11, 2007

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Education

### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 1895	Identical bill	<b>Jul 30, 2007:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S10315-10316)

### **Summary** (as of Dec 11, 2007)

Prescribe A Book Act - Amends the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a Pediatric Early Literacy program under which the Secretary of Education awards matching grants to nonprofit organizations for the implementation of three-part models through which: (1) health care providers encourage parents to read aloud to their children and offer them recommendations and strategies for doing so; (2) health care providers give each visiting child between the ages of six months and five-years a new, developmentally appropriate children's book to take home and keep; and (3) volunteers reading to children in health care facility waiting areas show parents the techniques and pleasures of reading aloud to children.

Requires that the books provided to children under the program be obtained at a discount.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Dec 11, 2007: Introduced in House
- Dec 11, 2007: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.