

## HR 1205

ABLE Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Taxation

**Introduced:** Feb 26, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Mar 2, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/1205>

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Akin, W. Todd [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Mar 3, 2009
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Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		Mar 3, 2009
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Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Mar 3, 2009
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Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Bachus, Spencer [R-AL-6]	R · AL		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Lincoln [R-FL-21]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL-10]	R · IL		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Paulsen, Erik [R-MN-3]	R · MN		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Platts, Todd Russell [R-PA-19]	R · PA		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2009
Rep. Young, C. W. Bill [R-FL-10]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2009
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 10, 2009
Rep. Hare, Phil [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Mar 10, 2009
Rep. Holt, Rush [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Mar 10, 2009
Rep. Rothman, Steven R. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Mar 10, 2009
Rep. Tauscher, Ellen O. [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Mar 10, 2009
Del. Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Mar 12, 2009
Rep. Berkley, Shelley [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Mar 12, 2009
Rep. Brown, Corrine [D-FL-3]	D · FL		Mar 12, 2009
Rep. Andrews, Robert E. [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Mar 17, 2009
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Mar 17, 2009
Rep. Dreier, David [R-CA-26]	R · CA		Mar 17, 2009
Rep. Ehlers, Vernon J. [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Mar 17, 2009
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-1]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2009
Rep. Bean, Melissa L. [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Mar 18, 2009

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Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Mar 18, 2009
Rep. Ellsworth, Brad [D-IN-8]	D · IN		Mar 18, 2009
Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Mar 18, 2009
Rep. Mack, Connie [R-FL-14]	R · FL		Mar 18, 2009
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Mar 24, 2009
Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	D · TN		Mar 24, 2009
Rep. Heller, Dean [R-NV-2]	R · NV		Mar 24, 2009
Rep. Holden, Tim [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Mar 24, 2009
Rep. Marshall, Jim [D-GA-8]	D · GA		Mar 24, 2009
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Rep. Davis, Geoff [R-KY-4]	R · KY		Mar 30, 2009
Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Mar 30, 2009
Rep. Schmidt, Jean [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Mar 30, 2009
Rep. Campbell, John [R-CA-48]	R · CA		Apr 2, 2009
Rep. Cantor, Eric [R-VA-7]	R · VA		Apr 2, 2009
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-3]	R · NY		Apr 2, 2009
Rep. Neugebauer, Randy [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Apr 2, 2009
Rep. Nunes, Devin [R-CA-21]	R · CA		Apr 2, 2009
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Apr 2, 2009
Rep. Rooney, Thomas J. [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Apr 2, 2009
Rep. Barrow, John [D-GA-12]	D · GA		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-44]	R · CA		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. Delahunt, Bill [D-MA-10]	D · MA		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. McIntyre, Mike [D-NC-7]	D · NC		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. Terry, Lee [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Apr 21, 2009
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Apr 27, 2009
Rep. Luetkemeyer, Blaine [R-MO-9]	R · MO		Apr 27, 2009
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Apr 27, 2009
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Apr 27, 2009
Del. Sablan, Gregorio Kilili Camacho [D-MP-At Large]	D · MP		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. Driehaus, Steve [D-OH-1]	D · OH		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. Gerlach, Jim [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. McCarthy, Carolyn [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. Myrick, Sue Wilkins [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. Peterson, Collin C. [D-MN-7]	D · MN		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-15]	R · FL		Apr 30, 2009
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Apr 30, 2009

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Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		May 4, 2009
Rep. Kildee, Dale E. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		May 4, 2009
Rep. Latham, Tom [R-IA-4]	R · IA		May 4, 2009
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-16]	D · CA		May 4, 2009
Rep. Massa, Eric J. J. [D-NY-29]	D · NY		May 4, 2009
Rep. McHugh, John M. [R-NY-23]	R · NY		May 4, 2009
Rep. Sestak, Joe [D-PA-7]	D · PA		May 4, 2009
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		May 4, 2009
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Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		May 7, 2009
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		May 7, 2009
Rep. Schock, Aaron [R-IL-18]	R · IL		May 7, 2009
Rep. Bishop, Timothy H. [D-NY-1]	D · NY		May 13, 2009
Rep. Carnahan, Russ [D-MO-3]	D · MO		May 13, 2009
Rep. Kline, John [R-MN-2]	R · MN		May 13, 2009
Rep. Lamborn, Doug [R-CO-5]	R · CO		May 13, 2009
Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		May 13, 2009
Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	R · IN		May 13, 2009
Rep. Bocchieri, John A. [D-OH-16]	D · OH		May 21, 2009
Rep. Childers, Travis [D-MS-1]	D · MS		May 21, 2009
Rep. Hinchey, Maurice D. [D-NY-22]	D · NY		May 21, 2009
Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		May 21, 2009
Rep. Ackerman, Gary L. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Jackson, Jesse L., Jr. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-21]	D · NY		Jun 12, 2009
Rep. Bono Mack, Mary [R-CA-45]	R · CA		Jun 19, 2009
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jun 19, 2009
Rep. Kosmas, Suzanne M. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Jun 19, 2009
Rep. Herger, Wally [R-CA-2]	R · CA		Jun 26, 2009
Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	R · PA		Jun 26, 2009
Rep. Schauer, Mark H. [D-MI-7]	D · MI		Jun 26, 2009
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-13]	D · NJ		Jun 26, 2009
Rep. Braley, Bruce L. [D-IA-1]	D · IA		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Cao, Anh "Joseph" [R-LA-2]	R · LA		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Fleming, John [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-3]	R · OH		Jul 8, 2009

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Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Jul 17, 2009
Rep. McCarthy, Kevin [R-CA-22]	R · CA		Jul 17, 2009
Rep. Tsongas, Niki [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Jul 17, 2009
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Jul 31, 2009
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Jul 31, 2009
Rep. Reichert, David G. [R-WA-8]	R · WA		Jul 31, 2009
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Sep 10, 2009
Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Sep 29, 2009
Rep. Donnelly, Joe [D-IN-2]	D · IN		Oct 6, 2009
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Nov 6, 2009
Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Nov 6, 2009
Rep. Fortenberry, Jeff [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Nov 19, 2009
Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		Dec 8, 2009
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Dec 8, 2009
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Dec 11, 2009
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Dec 11, 2009
Rep. Rogers, Harold [R-KY-5]	R · KY		Dec 16, 2009
Rep. Wamp, Zach [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Dec 16, 2009
Rep. Boucher, Rick [D-VA-9]	D · VA		Jan 27, 2010
Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		Jan 27, 2010
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Mar 2, 2010
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Mar 2, 2010
Rep. Klein, Ron [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Mar 2, 2010
Rep. Bonner, Jo [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	R · FL		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [D-SD-At Large]	D · SD		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Murphy, Scott [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Tiberi, Patrick J. [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Visclosky, Peter J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Mar 4, 2010
Rep. Melancon, Charlie [D-LA-3]	D · LA		Mar 9, 2010
Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Mar 9, 2010
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Mar 9, 2010
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Mar 9, 2010
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Mar 9, 2010
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Mar 19, 2010
Rep. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Mar 25, 2010
Rep. Richardson, Laura [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Mar 25, 2010
Rep. Chandler, Ben [D-KY-6]	D · KY		Apr 15, 2010

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Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-3]	R · OK		Apr 15, 2010
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Apr 15, 2010
Rep. Bachmann, Michele [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Apr 22, 2010
Rep. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Apr 22, 2010
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Apr 22, 2010
Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-19]	R · IL		Apr 22, 2010
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-14]	D · CA		May 5, 2010
Rep. Hoekstra, Peter [R-MI-2]	R · MI		May 5, 2010
Rep. Poe, Ted [R-TX-2]	R · TX		May 5, 2010
Rep. Barrett, J. Gresham [R-SC-3]	R · SC		May 13, 2010
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		May 13, 2010
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-23]	D · FL		May 26, 2010
Rep. Wu, David [D-OR-1]	D · OR		May 26, 2010
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Jun 10, 2010
Rep. Nye, Glenn C. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Jun 10, 2010
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Jun 24, 2010
Rep. Miller, Brad [D-NC-13]	D · NC		Jul 1, 2010
Rep. Arcuri, Michael A. [D-NY-24]	D · NY		Jul 13, 2010
Rep. Emerson, Jo Ann [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Jul 13, 2010
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Jul 13, 2010
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Jul 13, 2010
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Jul 13, 2010
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Jul 27, 2010
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jul 27, 2010
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Jul 27, 2010
Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Jul 30, 2010
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Jul 30, 2010
Rep. Loebsack, David [D-IA-2]	D · IA		Jul 30, 2010
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Jul 30, 2010
Rep. Walz, Timothy J. [D-MN-1]	D · MN		Jul 30, 2010
Rep. Larson, John B. [D-CT-1]	D · CT		Sep 16, 2010
Rep. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Sep 16, 2010
Rep. Ross, Mike [D-AR-4]	D · AR		Sep 16, 2010
Rep. Dent, Charles W. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Dec 1, 2010
Rep. Inslee, Jay [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Dec 1, 2010
Rep. Skelton, Ike [D-MO-4]	D · MO		Dec 1, 2010

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 2, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 26, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Taxation

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 493	Identical bill	<b>Feb 26, 2009:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Feb 26, 2009)

Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2009 or the ABLE Act of 2009 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to establish tax-exempt ABLE accounts for individuals with a disability to pay certain expenses of such individuals, including expenses for education, housing, transportation, employment support, medical care, and certain life necessities. Defines "individual with a disability" as an individual who is eligible to receive certain supplemental security income benefits under the Social Security Act.

Allows individual taxpayers a tax deduction, up to \$2,000 per year, for contributions to an ABLE account. Requires the Secretary of the Treasury to study and report to Congress on the use of ABLE accounts and the effect of the tax deduction for contributions to such accounts.

Requires ABLE accounts to be disregarded in determining eligibility for Medicaid benefits and for purposes of determining eligibility for other means-tested federal programs.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 2, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 26, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 26, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Feb 26, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Feb 26, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce