

## HR 1526

Prescribe A Book Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

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Rep. Davis, Geoff [R-KY-4]	R · KY		Sep 29, 2010

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	May 14, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Education

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 1345	Related bill	<b>Jun 24, 2009:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7009-7010)

## Summary (as of Mar 16, 2009)

Prescribe A Book Act - Creates 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

- **May 14, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
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- **Mar 16, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.