

## S 2909

### WORK Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Labor and Employment

**Introduced:** Dec 18, 2009

**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. (Dec 18, 2009)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Independent • **State:** VT • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Dec 18, 2009
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Dec 18, 2009
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Dec 18, 2009
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Feb 4, 2010
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jul 20, 2010

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 19, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Dec 18, 2009)

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Worker Ownership, Readiness and Knowledge Act or the WORK Act - Directs the Secretary of Labor to establish within the Department of Labor an Office of Employee Ownership and Participation to promote employee ownership and employee participation in business decisionmaking.

Requires the Office Director, with federal grants and acting as an information clearinghouse, to: (1) support existing programs in the states designed to promote employee ownership and employee participation in business decisionmaking; and (2) promote the formation of new such programs.

Directs the Secretary to establish a program, administered by the Director, which is designed to foster employee ownership and employee participation in business decisionmaking throughout the United States.

## Actions Timeline

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