

HR 3800

Reducing Barriers to Learning Act of 2009

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Education

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 16, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Oct 13, 2009)

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Reducing Barriers to Learning Act of 2009 - Amends the Department of Education Organization Act to create an Office of Specialized Instructional Support Services within the Department of Education to improve specialized instructional support services in schools.

Amends the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to establish a Reduced Barriers to Learning program authorizing the Secretary of Education to award competitive matching grants to states to: (1) establish or expand specialized instructional support services and programs at the state level that are designed to provide technical assistance, coordination, and support to specialized instructional support services and programs addressing barriers to learning within local educational agencies and individual schools; and (2) hire and support specialized instructional support services coordinators to provide such assistance, coordination, and support.

Replaces references to pupil services and pupil services personnel with references to specialized instructional support services and specialized instructional support personnel.

Defines such services as those provided by school counselors, social workers, psychologists, and other qualified professionals that provide assessment, diagnosis, counseling, educational, therapeutic, and other necessary services as part of a comprehensive program to meet student needs.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 16, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
- **Oct 13, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 13, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.