

## HR 4317

Foster Care Mentoring Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** Dec 15, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities. (Feb 23, 2010)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Crowley, Joseph [D-NY-7]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Dec 15, 2009
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Dec 15, 2009
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Dec 15, 2009

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 23, 2010
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 16, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 986	Identical bill	<b>May 6, 2009:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Foster Care Mentoring Act of 2009 - Amends part B (Child-Welfare Services) of title IV of the Social Security Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to award grants to states to support the establishment or expansion and operation of programs using networks of public and private community entities to provide mentoring for children in foster care. Authorizes a grant award directly to a political subdivision if the subdivision serves a substantial number of foster care youth.

Prescribes program implementation guidelines, including: (1) application requirements; (2) training; (3) screening; (4) educational requirements; (5) federal and nonfederal share of funds for the program; (6) considerations in awarding grants; and (7) use of funds.

Sets forth a maximum grant amount to be awarded to a state or political subdivision.

Authorizes the Secretary to award a competitive grant to an eligible entity to establish a National Hotline Service or website to provide information to individuals interested in becoming mentors to youth in foster care.

Instructs the Secretary of Education to implement a program to provide for the discharge or cancellation of the federal student loan indebtedness of an eligible mentor.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 23, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.
- **Dec 16, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support.
- **Dec 15, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 15, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Dec 15, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.
- **Dec 15, 2009:** Referred to House Education and Labor