

HR 4458

I-WERC Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 1, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Inmate Work, Education, and Responsibility Curriculum Act of 2009 (*sic*) or the I-WERC Act - Directs the Attorney General to establish a three-year pilot program for making competitive grants to state, tribal, and local corrections agencies to fund a 40-hour work week curriculum of self-improvement activities for inmates that promote responsibility, education, family, work, and parenthood. Includes among the required uses of grant funds working toward and acquiring a general equivalency diploma, literacy training, vocational training and education, jobs and skills training, and mentoring sessions.

Requires curriculum participants to undergo an assessment of their mental, physical, intellectual, and vocational abilities. Extends incentives to inmates for participation in the program, including good time credit, monetary compensation, additional and more flexible visitation rights, and letters of recommendation.

Authorizes the Attorney General to award a grant to the National Institute of Justice to design and conduct a study of the curriculums funded by this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 1, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Jan 13, 2010:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 13, 2010:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

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