

HR 4535

Diploma and Accreditation Integrity Protection Act of 2009

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Education

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 23, 2010
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 29, 2010
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 26, 2010
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 27, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Diploma and Accreditation Integrity Protection Act of 2009 - Prohibits any accreditor from being considered a reliable authority as to the quality of education or training offered by degree-granting institutions for any purpose related to immigration, federal employment, or any other federal activity, unless the accreditor is recognized by the Secretary of Education.

Considers only a degree from a degree-granting institution that is accredited by such an accreditor to be acceptable in situations when a degree from an institution of higher education (IHE) is required or taken into consideration for the purpose of appointing, promoting, or improving the pay of a federal employee.

Directs the Federal Trade Commission to define as an unfair and deceptive act or practice: (1) certain offerings of academic, professional, or occupational degrees by entities that are not IHEs or are not accredited by an accreditor recognized by the Secretary of Education, any other appropriate federal agency, or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation; or (2) the issuing of any accreditation to a degree-granting institution by an accreditor that lacks such recognition.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 26, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Feb 23, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.
- **Jan 29, 2010:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.
- **Jan 27, 2010:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 27, 2010:** Referred to House Education and Labor
- **Jan 27, 2010:** Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, Energy and Commerce, and the Judiciary, 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.
- **Jan 27, 2010:** Referred to House Oversight and Government Reform
- **Jan 27, 2010:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Jan 27, 2010:** Referred to House Judiciary