

## S 786

### Improving Access to Mainstream Financial Institutions Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Finance and Financial Sector

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (text of measure as

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#### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** Senate

#### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Apr 2, 2009
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Apr 2, 2009
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 2, 2009

#### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 2, 2009

#### Subjects & Policy Tags

##### Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

#### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Improving Access to Mainstream Financial Institutions Act of 2009 - Authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to award grants, including multi-year grants, to specified eligible entities to establish an account in a federally insured depository institution for low- and moderate-income individuals who currently do not have such an account. Includes among such eligible entities: (1) Alaska Native Corporations; (2) Native Hawaiian organizations; and (3) labor organizations.

Authorizes the Secretary to award demonstration project grants to eligible entities to provide low-cost, small loans to consumers that will provide alternatives to more costly, predatory payday loans. Requires such entities to be: (1) tax-exempt charitable organizations; (2) federally insured depository institutions; (3) community development financial institutions; or (4) partnerships comprised of one or more of such entities. Requires grant recipients to offer financial literacy and education opportunities to each consumer provided with a loan pursuant to this Act.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 2, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 2, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4316-4317)
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