

S 839

Prepare All Kids Act of 2009

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Policy Area: Education

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Sponsor

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Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Kaufman, Edward E. [D-DE]	D · DE		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Jul 23, 2009
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Sep 24, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 21, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 2184	Identical bill	Jun 4, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.

Prepare All Kids Act of 2009 - Creates a part I (High Quality Prekindergarten Programs) under title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. Implements such part by requiring the Secretary of Education to establish a Prekindergarten Incentive Fund from which matching grants shall be awarded to states and, through them, subgrants to qualified prekindergarten providers to establish, expand, or enhance voluntary high quality full-day prekindergarten programs serving children ages three through five.

Directs state grantees to set aside: (1) at least 15% of their grant for quality early childhood development programs for children ages zero through three; and (2) at least 10% of their grant to extend the hours of early childhood programs to create extended day and year programs.

Requires prekindergarten subgrantees to: (1) maintain a maximum class size of 20 children, with at least 1 prekindergarten teacher per classroom; and (2) ensure that the ratio of children to prekindergarten teachers and teacher aides does not exceed 10 to 1.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 21, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 21, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4516-4517)
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