

## HR 1758

Diploma and Accreditation Integrity Protection Act

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** May 5, 2011

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Jul 11, 2011)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Bishop, Timothy H. [D-NY-1]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

| Cosponsor                       | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]     | D · CT        |      | May 5, 2011  |
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### Committee Activity

| Committee                                 | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|---|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Education and Workforce Committee         | House   | Referred to | May 20, 2011 |
| Energy and Commerce Committee             | House   | Referred to | May 6, 2011  |
| Judiciary Committee                       | House   | Referred to | Jul 11, 2011 |
| Oversight and Government Reform Committee | House   | Referred to | May 13, 2011 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Diploma and Accreditation Integrity Protection Act - 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 (FTC) 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**

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- **Jul 11, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **May 20, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.
- **May 13, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and Labor Policy .
- **May 6, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade.
- **May 5, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **May 5, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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.