

## HR 2012

### Foster Care Mentoring Act of 2011

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** May 26, 2011

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training. (Sep 8, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/house-bill/2012>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-33]

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

## Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Crowley, Joseph [D-NY-7]	D · NY		May 26, 2011
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jul 27, 2011
Rep. Cardoza, Dennis A. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2011
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Nov 29, 2011
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Feb 1, 2012
Rep. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Feb 1, 2012
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Feb 1, 2012
Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Feb 1, 2012
Rep. Richardson, Laura [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Feb 1, 2012
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Feb 1, 2012
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-17]	D · FL		Feb 1, 2012
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-11]	D · NY		May 7, 2012
Rep. Andrews, Robert E. [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Jun 1, 2012
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jun 7, 2012

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 8, 2011
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 8, 2011
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 6, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 420	Identical bill	Feb 28, 2011: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Summary (as of May 26, 2011)

Foster Care Mentoring Act of 2011 - Amends part B (Child-Welfare Services) of title IV of the Social Security Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to award grants to states to support the establishment or expansion and operation of programs using networks of public and private community entities to provide mentoring for children in foster care. Authorizes a grant award directly to a political subdivision if the subdivision serves a substantial number of foster care youth.

Prescribes program implementation guidelines, including: (1) application requirements, (2) training, (3) screening, (4) educational requirements, (5) federal and nonfederal share of funds for the program, (6) considerations in awarding grants, and (7) use of funds.

Sets forth a maximum grant amount to be awarded to a state or political subdivision.

Authorizes the Secretary to award a competitive grant to an eligible entity to establish a National Hotline Service or website to provide information to individuals interested in becoming mentors to youth in foster care.

Instructs the Secretary of Education to implement a program to provide for the discharge or cancellation of the federal student loan indebtedness of an eligible mentor.

## Actions Timeline

- Sep 8, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
- Sep 8, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.
- Jun 6, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Human Resources.
- May 26, 2011: Introduced in House
- May 26, 2011: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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.