

S 3472

Uninterrupted Scholars Act (USA)

Congress: 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Education

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Law: 112-278 (Enacted Jan 14, 2013)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]

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

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Aug 1, 2012
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Aug 1, 2012
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Aug 1, 2012
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Aug 1, 2012
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Aug 1, 2012
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Aug 1, 2012
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Sep 10, 2012
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Sep 10, 2012
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Dec 5, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 18, 2012
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 18, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 5871	Related bill	Sep 26, 2012: Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
112 S 3478	Identical bill	Aug 1, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 17, 2012. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Uninterrupted Scholars Act (USA) - Amends provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 that prohibit the Department of Education from funding educational agencies or institutions that release student educational records (or personally identifiable information other than certain directory information) to any individual, agency, or organization without written parental consent.

Expands the list of organizations exempt from such prohibitions (thereby permitting the educational agencies or institutions participating in a Department of Education program to release records or identifiable information to such organizations without parental consent) to include an agency caseworker or other representative of a state or local child welfare agency or tribal organization authorized to access a student's case plan when such agencies or organizations are legally responsible for the care and protection of the student.

Sets forth conditions including that: (1) the education records, or the personally identifiable information contained in such records, will not be disclosed by such agency or organization, except to an individual or entity engaged in addressing the student's education needs and authorized by such agency or organization to receive such disclosure; and (2) such disclosures be consistent with applicable student record confidentiality laws of states and tribes.

Permits the release of such records and information without additional notice to parents and students when a parent is a party to a court proceeding involving child abuse and neglect or dependency matters and a court order has already been issued in the context of that proceeding.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 14, 2013:** Signed by President.
- **Jan 14, 2013:** Became Public Law No: 112-278.
- **Jan 3, 2013:** Presented to President.
- **Jan 1, 2013:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7559)
- **Jan 1, 2013:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR 12/30/2012 H7450)
- **Jan 1, 2013:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text as House agreed to Senate amendment: CR 12/30/2012 H7450)
- **Jan 1, 2013:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Mr. Roe (TN) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7450-7453)
- **Dec 30, 2012:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 3472.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Roe (TN) objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.
- **Dec 17, 2012:** Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 17, 2012:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S8091-8092)
- **Dec 17, 2012:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 17, 2012:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Dec 17, 2012:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 17, 2012:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 17, 2012:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.
- **Aug 1, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 1, 2012:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5880)
- **Aug 1, 2012:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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