

HR 6717

Protecting Students from Worthless Degrees Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Education

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Dec 30, 2012
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 30, 2012
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 30, 2012
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 2, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 3474	Identical bill	Aug 1, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Protecting Students from Worthless Degrees Act - Makes any institution of higher education (IHE) postsecondary program designed to prepare students for a recognized occupation or profession requiring licensing or other entry pre-conditions ineligible to participate in a federal financial assistance program, unless it meets specified student consumer protection requirements.

Requires each program to: (1) fully prepare students to satisfy those entry pre-conditions in the state in which the program is operated and in any state the program claims a successful program graduate will be prepared to work in the particular occupation or profession involved; (2) provide timely placement of students in required pre-licensure positions, such as internships or apprenticeships; and (3) meet specialized state accreditation requirements, or notify students if the program has not yet been fully accredited.

Requires an IHE to notify out-of-state applicants as to whether or not its program satisfies the requirements of the applicant's state.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 2, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 30, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Veterans' Affairs, 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.