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Malala Yousafzai Scholarship Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Jan 23, 2013
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Sep 17, 2013
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 18, 2013
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Sep 18, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 10, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 3583	Related bill	Nov 20, 2014: Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 603.

Malala Yousafzai Scholarship Act - Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) every individual, regardless of gender, should have the opportunity to pursue an education free from the fear of discrimination; and (2) educational exchanges increase people-to-people ties and promote institutional linkages between this country and other countries.

Encourages the State Department and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) to continue to support Pakistani education initiatives, especially those for women.

Directs the USAID Administrator to increase the number of scholarships to women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program (Program) during each of calendar years 2013 through 2015 over the level awarded to women in calendar year 2011. (The Program awards scholarships for university study to academically talented, financially needy Pakistani students.)

Requires the additional scholarships to be awarded: (1) in accordance with existing scholarship criteria, and (2) for a range of disciplines to improve the employability of graduates and to meet the needs of the scholarship recipients.

Directs the USAID Administrator to make every effort to award 50% of the scholarships available under the Program to Pakistani women.

Directs the USAID Administrator to designate appropriate USAID officials to provide Congress with briefings on the implementation of these Program requirements.

Makes specified appropriations for foreign assistance to Pakistan that remain unobligated on the date of this Act's enactment available for the additional scholarships authorized by this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 10, 2013:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Menendez with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Oct 10, 2013:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 217.
- **Sep 17, 2013:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jan 23, 2013:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 23, 2013:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.