

## S 216

Tyler Clementi Higher Education Anti-Harassment Act of 2013

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Education

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 4, 2013
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 4, 2013
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 4, 2013
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 4, 2013
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Feb 4, 2013

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 4, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 2954	Related bill	<b>Nov 20, 2014:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
113 S 2164	Related bill	<b>Mar 27, 2014:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
113 HR 482	Identical bill	<b>Apr 23, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.

Tyler Clementi Higher Education Anti-Harassment Act of 2013 - Amends title IV (Student Assistance) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require each institution of higher education (IHE) participating in a title IV program (except a foreign school) to include in its annual security report a statement of policy regarding harassment that includes: (1) a prohibition of harassment of students by other students, faculty, and staff; (2) a description of its programs to prevent harassment; (3) a description of the procedures that students should follow if harassment occurs; and (4) a description of the procedures it will follow once an incident of harassment has been reported.

Defines "harassment" to include certain conduct undertaken through technological means that limits a student's ability to benefit from the IHE's programs, or creates a hostile or abusive educational environment at the school.

Authorizes the Secretary of Education to award competitive grants to IHEs to initiate, expand, or improve programs to: (1) prevent the harassment of students; (2) provide counseling or redress services to students who have been harassed or accused of subjecting other students to harassment; and (3) train students, faculty, or staff to prevent harassment or address harassment if it occurs.

Directs the Secretary to publish a report of best practices for combating harassment at IHEs.

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### **Actions Timeline**

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