

HR 4680

Infant and Toddler Care Improvement Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 17, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 5000	Related bill	Nov 17, 2014: Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
113 S 1065	Identical bill	May 23, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of May 20, 2014)

Infant and Toddler Care Improvement Act - Amends the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to make grants to enable eligible states (including Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands) to improve the quality of care for infants and toddlers, especially those from low-income families.

Authorizes the use of grant funds to: (1) make grants to organizations with expertise in providing child care and related technical assistance, to establish new staffed family child care networks or to operate existing staffed family child care networks or systems that offer, to family child care providers who are eligible infant and toddler care providers, technical assistance, training, administrative support, or direct services including monitoring visits to providers; (2) support a statewide network of infant and toddler care specialists; and (3) support initiatives to improve the quality of the provider workforce.

Allows the use of such funds also to: (1) develop infant and toddler components for the State's Quality Rating and Improvement System or a similar rating system, child care licensing regulations, or voluntary early learning guidelines; (2) improve the ability of parents to obtain information about high-quality infant and toddler care; or (3) assist eligible infant and toddler care providers seeking to increase their ranking on the state's Quality Rating and Improvement System or similar rating system, meet performance standards applicable to an Early Head Start agency, or become accredited by a national accrediting body.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 17, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
- **May 20, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **May 20, 2014:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H4482)
- **May 20, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.