

HR 4386

Pathways to an Affordable Education Act

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Sponsor

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Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Feb 4, 2016
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Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2016
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Apr 15, 2016
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		May 25, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 23, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 13, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 242	Related bill	Apr 29, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.

Summary (as of Jan 13, 2016)

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This bill amends title IV (Student Assistance) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to modify provisions related to the Federal Pell Grant program. Among other things, it:

- increases the maximum Pell Grant award for academic year 2017-2018 and adjusts it in subsequent award years to account for inflation,
- converts the Pell Grant program into a mandatory spending program,
- increases from 12 to 15 semesters a student's lifetime Pell Grant eligibility period, and
- restores year-round grants.

Additionally, the bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to include, as a qualified scholarship excludible from gross income, any amount received as a Pell Grant.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 23, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.
- **Jan 13, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 13, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.