

HR 5186

Help All Americans Save for College Act of 2016

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to modify the tax treatment of qualified tuition programs (known as 529 plans) and ABLE accounts. (Tax-favored ABLE [Achieving a Better Life Experience] accounts are designed to enable individuals with disabilities to save for and pay for disability-related expenses.)

The bill excludes employer contributions to an employee's 529 plan or ABLE account from the gross income of an individual, certain employment taxes, and taxes on self-employment earnings.

The exclusions are limited to the lesser of: (1) the compensation includible in the individual's gross income for the year, or (2) \$5,000 (\$10,000 in the case of a joint return) for each dependent of the taxpayer who is the designated beneficiary of a 529 plan.

The bill also allows an individual to deduct up to \$5,000 of the aggregate contributions of the individual to a 529 plan and an ABLE account.

The bill revises the 10% additional tax for distributions from a 529 plan or an ABLE account that are not used for qualified purposes to change the rate to the greater of: (1) 10%, or (2) the highest rate of income tax applicable to the taxpayer.

Actions Timeline

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