

## HR 554

Enhancing Educational Opportunities for all Students Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education. (Apr 29, 2015)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Messer, Luke [R-IN-6]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Brat, Dave [R-VA-7]	R · VA		Jan 27, 2015
Rep. Rokita, Todd [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Jan 27, 2015
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Jan 27, 2015
Rep. DeSantis, Ron [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Feb 2, 2015
Rep. Salmon, Matt [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Feb 3, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 27, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 306	Related bill	<b>Jan 29, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 HR 553	Related bill	<b>Jan 27, 2015:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
114 S 72	Related bill	<b>Jan 7, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
114 S 101	Related bill	<b>Jan 7, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Enhancing Educational Opportunities for all Students Act**

Amends the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to allow a state educational agency to allocate grant funds among local educational agencies based on the number of eligible children (children age 5 to 17 from a family with an income below the poverty level) enrolled in the public schools and the state-accredited private schools within each local agency's geographic jurisdiction.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) allow payment of home school expenses from Coverdell education savings accounts; (2) remove the dollar limitation on contributions to Coverdell education savings accounts and require such accounts to provide adequate safeguards to prevent contributions from exceeding the amount necessary to provide for the qualified education expenses of the account beneficiary; and (3) allow tax-exempt qualified tuition programs (529 tuition programs) to pay qualified pre-kindergarten, elementary, and secondary education expenses.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 29, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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.