

HR 5972

Campus Sexual Assault Whistleblower Protection Act of 2016

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Education

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. (Sep 15, 2016)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (16 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Bustos, Cheri [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Dold, Robert J. [R-IL-10]	R · IL		Sep 8, 2016
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Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Gosar, Paul A. [R-AZ-4]	R · AZ		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Hahn, Janice [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2016
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Sep 22, 2016
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Sep 22, 2016
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Sep 27, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 8, 2016
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 15, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 8, 2016)

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This bill amends title IV (Student Assistance) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit the suspension of federal student aid eligibility for a student who: (1) admits, in a sexual assault report, unlawful consumption of a controlled substance or alcohol; and (2) is convicted of a drug offense involving controlled substance possession based on conduct described in such admission.

The bill also modifies eligibility requirements for an institution of higher education (IHE) to participate in federal student aid programs. Specifically, it prohibits an IHE from taking a retaliatory action (e.g., suspension or expulsion) against an enrolled student who reports a sexual assault and admits, in such report: (1) sexual activity, or (2) unlawful consumption of a controlled substance or alcohol. An IHE must annually inform enrolled students that such retaliatory action is prohibited.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 15, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Sep 8, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 8, 2016:** Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.