

S 729

Fairness for Struggling Students Act of 2015

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]

Party: Democratic • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (15 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 12, 2015
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 16, 2015
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Apr 15, 2015
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Apr 23, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 12, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 1131	Related bill	Apr 29, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.
114 S 473	Related bill	Feb 12, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Mar 12, 2015)

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This bill amends federal bankruptcy law to make privately issued student loans dischargeable in bankruptcy. Under current law, student loans (whether issued privately or by a governmental unit) are dischargeable only if excepting the loans from dischargeability would impose undue hardship on the debtor and the debtor's dependents.

Actions Timeline

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