

## S 3596

Innovation Zone Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Education

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Oct 11, 2018)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Oct 11, 2018
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Oct 11, 2018
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Oct 11, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 11, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Oct 11, 2018)

#### Innovation Zone Act

This bill replaces the Experimental Sites Initiative of the Department of Education (ED) with an innovation zone initiative consisting of voluntary experiments by participating institutions of higher education. Under the experiments, ED and the institutions may test the effectiveness of statutory and regulatory flexibility that aims for: (1) an increase in student success (e.g., reductions in student loan debt and increases in student retention and employment outcomes); and (2) a reduction of regulations on institutions or ED, without harm to students.

## Actions Timeline

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