

HR 3734

SOS Campus Act

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]

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

Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Nolan, Richard M. [D-MN-8]	D · MN		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Vargas, Juan [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Sep 11, 2017
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Sep 18, 2017
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Sep 18, 2017
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Sep 18, 2017
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Nov 30, 2017
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Nov 14, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 11, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1801	Related bill	Sep 12, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S5219)

Summary (as of Sep 11, 2017)

Survivor Outreach and Support Campus Act or the SOS Campus Act

This bill amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require each institution of higher education (IHE) that participates in a program under title IV (Student Assistance) to designate an independent advocate for campus sexual assault prevention and response with experience in providing sexual assault victim services.

Each advocate must:

- ensure that sexual assault victims at the IHE are able to receive, at their election, specified information and services;
- guide sexual assault victims who request assistance through the reporting, counseling, administrative, medical and health, academic accommodations, or legal processes of the IHE or local law enforcement;
- attend, at the request of a sexual assault victim, any administrative or IHE-based adjudication proceeding related to the assault as an advocate for the victim;
- maintain the privacy and confidentiality of the victim and any witness to the sexual assault and not notify the IHE or any other person of the identity of the victim or of any such witness or the alleged circumstances surrounding the reported sexual assault except as otherwise required by state law or, with respect to the identity of the victim or witness, with the consent of the victim or witness; and
- conduct a public information campaign to inform the students enrolled at the IHE of the existence of, contact information for, and services provided by the advocate.

In addition, the bill prohibits IHEs from retaliating against: (1) advocates for representing the interests of a student victims, or (2) student victims for reporting sexual assaults to advocates.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 11, 2017: Introduced in House
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