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Court Legal Access and Student Support (CLASS) Act of 2017

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (8 total)

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Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 7, 2017
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Apr 24, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 7, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 2301	Identical bill	Jun 2, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial And Antitrust Law.

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This bill makes procedures for the enforcement of arbitration agreements inapplicable to an enrollment agreement between a student and an institution of higher education (IHE).

The bill also amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to forbid an IHE that participates in federal student aid programs, including work-study programs, from requiring a student to agree to any restriction on the student's ability to pursue a claim, individually or with others, against it in court.

Actions Timeline

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