

HR 5962

STEM K to Career Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		May 24, 2018
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		May 24, 2018
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		May 24, 2018
Rep. Veasey, Marc A. [D-TX-33]	D · TX		May 24, 2018
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Sep 25, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 19, 2018
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 24, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Education

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

STEM K to Career Act

This bill amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA) to require the Department of Education to forgive student loan obligations of borrowers employed as full-time teachers of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) in elementary or secondary schools in which the number of low-income children exceeds a certain percentage.

Portions of the student loan debt, including interest, shall be forgiven on the basis of years of service, with 100% forgiven for five years of teacher service.

The bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to allow: (1) an increased tax deduction for expenses by elementary and secondary school teachers for STEM education supplies; (2) a tax credit for the employment of STEM interns; and (3) a tax credit for employment of individuals who participated in an apprenticeship program in a STEM field, with the amount determined according to the degree of completion of a program.

Beginning with FY2019, an institution of higher education must use at least 7% of federal work-study funds granted under the HEA to compensate students employed in STEM fields.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 19, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development.
- **May 24, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **May 24, 2018:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, 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.