

## S 1399

Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 9, 2019

**Current Status:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 285.

**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 285. (Nov 5, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/1399>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]

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

### Cosponsors (23 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		May 9, 2019
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Sep 16, 2019
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Sep 16, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Oct 21, 2019
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Oct 21, 2019
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. McSally, Martha [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Nov 7, 2019
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Nov 12, 2019
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 20, 2019
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Dec 3, 2019
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Jan 13, 2020
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 10, 2020
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 10, 2020
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Feb 24, 2020
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 4, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 5, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 748	Related bill	<b>Jul 23, 2020:</b> Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 116-517.

## Summary (as of Nov 5, 2019)

### Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2019

This bill modifies and reauthorizes through FY2024 grant programs that fund nursing workforce development and retention. Such grants must generally be used to develop high-quality nursing services in areas that have, or are projected to have, a nursing shortage. The bill also reauthorizes grant programs for nursing education, loan repayment, and geriatric care training.

The bill further requires the Government Accountability Office to evaluate and report on the nursing education loan repayment program, including (1) the methods of payment, (2) existing and recommended oversight functions, (3) the number of nurses participating in the program, and (4) the type of facility at which participants are serving.

## Actions Timeline

- **Nov 5, 2019:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Alexander with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Nov 5, 2019:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 285.
- **Oct 31, 2019:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **May 9, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 9, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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