

## S 2225

### BASIC Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** Jul 23, 2019

**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. (Jul 23, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/2225>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jul 23, 2019
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 23, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 23, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 4968	Identical bill	Oct 31, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

### Summary (as of Jul 23, 2019)

#### Basic Assistance for Students In College Act or the BASIC Act

This bill directs the Department of Education (ED) to award planning and implementation grants to institutions of higher education in order to identify and meet the basic needs of students, including food, housing, transportation, and health care. ED must also implement an agreement to (1) share data with other federal agencies in order to identify students who may be eligible for certain federal benefits; and (2) coordinate efforts to enroll those students in federal benefits programs, including Medicaid and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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