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Alice Cogswell and Anne Sullivan Macy Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Oct 23, 2019
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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116 HR 4822	Related bill	Oct 23, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

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This bill expands special education and related services for students who are deaf or hard of hearing, for students with visual disabilities, and for children and youth who are deaf-blind.

The individualized education program for each child who is visually and/or hearing impaired must include specified components and must provide the child with instruction that meets the child's unique learning needs.

In addition, a state's closure of a special school serving deaf or blind children shall count as a reduction of its financial support for special education and related services.

Among other provisions, the bill authorizes support, including grants for training special education personnel, to be used in preparing individuals to become qualified teachers and early intervention specialists for children with hearing disabilities.

The bill establishes within the Department of Education the Anne Sullivan Macy Center on Visual Disability and Educational Excellence to better support students with visual disabilities.

Actions Timeline

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