

## HR 3179

### POST Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** Jun 10, 2019

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. (Jun 10, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/3179>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** TN • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Cisneros, Gilbert Ray, Jr. [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Jun 10, 2019
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jun 10, 2019
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Jun 13, 2019
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Aug 23, 2019
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 10, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 10, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Education

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 3369	Related bill	Jun 19, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
116 S 1775	Identical bill	Jun 11, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text: CR S3322-3323)

## **Protecting Our Students and Taxpayers Act of 2019 or the POST Act of 2019**

This bill modifies requirements for a proprietary (i.e., for-profit) institution of higher education (IHE) to participate in federal student aid programs.

Current law requires a proprietary IHE to derive at least 10% of its revenue from sources other than federal student aid. This bill requires a proprietary IHE to derive at least 15% of its revenue from sources other than federal funds (i.e., it replaces the so-called 90/10 rule with an 85/15 rule).

Additionally, the bill limits what a proprietary institution may treat as revenue to the school in calculating whether it derives at least 15% of its revenue from sources other than federal funds.

Finally, the bill makes compliance with the 85/15 rule a condition of institutional eligibility to participate in federal student aid programs (i.e., failure to comply results in immediate loss of institutional eligibility). Currently, a proprietary IHE must violate the rule for two consecutive years before losing eligibility.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 10, 2019:** Introduced in House
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