

## S 379

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit amounts paid for programs to obtain a recognized postsecondary credential or a license to be treated as qualified higher education expenses for purposes of a 529 account.

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Taxation

**Introduced:** Feb 7, 2019

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Feb 7, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/379>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Feb 7, 2019
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 7, 2019
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 7, 2019
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Feb 7, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 7, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Taxation

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Feb 7, 2019)

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This bill allows tax-exempt distributions from qualified tuition programs (known as 529 plans) to be used for expenses required for programs to obtain a recognized postsecondary credential or occupational license.

A "recognized postsecondary credential" is a credential consisting of an industry-recognized certificate or certification, a certificate of completion of an apprenticeship, a license recognized by the state involved or federal government, or an associate or baccalaureate degree.

### Actions Timeline

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