

## HR 4213

Universal Prekindergarten and Early Childhood Education Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Aug 27, 2019
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Aug 27, 2019
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Aug 27, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Aug 27, 2019
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		Sep 19, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 27, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Universal Prekindergarten and Early Childhood Education Act of 2019**

This bill authorizes through FY2025 a grant program for states to establish or expand full-day prekindergarten programs that (1) permit each three- or four-year old child in the state to be voluntarily enrolled by the child's parent, regardless of income, in the program at the public school in which the child would be enrolled for kindergarten; (2) run the length of the regular school year; and (3) are taught by teachers who possess equivalent or similar qualifications to those of teachers of other grades in the school.

The federal share of such a grant shall not exceed 80% of the costs of carrying out these activities. Grant funds received under the program shall be used to supplement and not supplant other federal early childhood education funds in the state.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Aug 27, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 27, 2019:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1078-1079)
- **Aug 27, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.