

## S 608

### Court Legal Access and Student Support (CLASS) Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Education

**Introduced:** Feb 28, 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. (Feb 28, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/608>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]

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

## Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Feb 28, 2019

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 28, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Education

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1430	Identical bill	Apr 8, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law.
116 S 867	Related bill	Mar 26, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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This bill forbids institutions of higher education (IHEs) that participate in federal student aid programs from restricting students' ability to pursue claims against IHEs in court. In addition, the bill makes mandatory arbitration agreements inapplicable to enrollment agreements between students and IHEs.

### **Actions Timeline**

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