

HR 1911

Child Care is Infrastructure Act

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Policy Area: Families

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Sponsor

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

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Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Mar 26, 2021
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Mar 26, 2021
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Mar 26, 2021
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Apr 14, 2021
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Rep. Newman, Marie [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Apr 14, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Apr 14, 2021
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		May 11, 2021
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		May 11, 2021
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		May 28, 2021
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Jul 1, 2021
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Jul 1, 2021
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Jul 1, 2021
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		Jul 30, 2021
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Oct 21, 2021
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Nov 5, 2021
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Nov 18, 2021
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Nov 18, 2021
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		Nov 18, 2021
Rep. Stansbury, Melanie Ann [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Nov 18, 2021
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2021
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Mar 21, 2022
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Oct 28, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2021
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2021
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 16, 2021
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 16, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Families

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 8862	Related bill	Nov 1, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

Summary (as of Mar 16, 2021)

Child Care is Infrastructure Act

This bill establishes grants for child care facilities and higher education loan repayment and scholarship programs for child care educators, among other provisions.

The Administration for Children and Families must conduct long- and short-term assessments of child care infrastructure, including the effect of the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) pandemic on such facilities. The bill provides grants to (1) states to acquire, construct, or improve child care facilities; and (2) intermediary organizations with demonstrated experience in child care facilities financing to develop or finance child care facilities.

The bill further provides for education loan repayments of up to \$6,000 per year for up to five years for early childhood educators who agree to work for certain child care providers. Additionally, the bill establishes a program for institutions of higher education to award grants of up to \$3,000 per academic year to individuals who are enrolled in early childhood educator programs and agree to serve in a state-licensed early learning program.

Finally, the bill modifies and reauthorizes through FY2027 supports for campus-based child care for low-income parents enrolled in institutions of higher education and requires the Department of Housing and Urban Development to consider early learning facilities in planning and implementation grants under the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 17, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 16, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 16, 2021:** Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Mar 16, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support.