

## HR 1959

Alice Cogswell and Anne Sullivan Macy Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. (Mar 17, 2021)

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### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]

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

**Cosponsors** (55 total)

<b>Cosponsor</b>	<b>Party / State</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Date Joined</b>
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 17, 2021
Del. San Nicolas, Michael F. Q. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-18]	D · PA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2021
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Mar 26, 2021
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		May 12, 2021
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		May 13, 2021
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Jun 1, 2021
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Jun 15, 2021
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Jun 16, 2021
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Jun 23, 2021
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Jun 28, 2021
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jun 28, 2021
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Jun 30, 2021
Rep. Garbarino, Andrew R. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Jul 13, 2021
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Jul 16, 2021
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Jul 26, 2021
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Jul 26, 2021
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Jul 26, 2021
Rep. Bowman, Jamaal [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Jul 28, 2021
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Aug 13, 2021
Rep. Malinowski, Tom [D-NJ-7]	D · NJ		Aug 13, 2021
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Aug 20, 2021
Rep. Spartz, Victoria [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Aug 23, 2021

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Sep 28, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Sep 30, 2021
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Oct 5, 2021
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		Oct 21, 2021
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Nov 1, 2021
Rep. Strickland, Marilyn [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Nov 16, 2021
Rep. Malliotakis, Nicole [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Jan 18, 2022
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Mar 18, 2022
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Mar 18, 2022
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Mar 30, 2022
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		May 27, 2022
Rep. Newman, Marie [D-IL-3]	D · IL		Jun 3, 2022
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Jul 28, 2022
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Nov 29, 2022

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 17, 2021

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Education

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 813	Related bill	<b>Mar 17, 2021:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## **Alice Cogswell and Anne Sullivan Macy Act**

This bill expands special education and related services for students who are deaf or hard of hearing, students with visual disabilities, and children and youth who are deaf-blind.

The individualized education program for each child who is visually and/or hearing impaired must include specified components and must provide the child with instruction that meets the child's unique learning needs.

In addition, a state's closure of a special school serving deaf or blind children shall count as a reduction of its financial support for special education and related services.

Among other provisions, the bill authorizes support, including grants for training special education personnel, to be used in preparing individuals to become qualified teachers and early intervention specialists for children with hearing disabilities.

The bill establishes within the Department of Education the Anne Sullivan Macy Center on Visual Disability and Educational Excellence to better support students with visual disabilities.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 17, 2021:** Introduced in House
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