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AACCENT Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Social Welfare

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Nov 17, 2022
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Nov 17, 2022
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Nov 17, 2022
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Nov 17, 2022
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Nov 17, 2022
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Nov 17, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 17, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 9516	Identical bill	Dec 13, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Augmentative and Alternative Communication Centers to Establish National Training Act or the AACCENT Act

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to award three grants in geographically diverse regions to establish a network of resource centers to improve access to tools, technologies, strategies, training, and other methods used to supplement or replace speech (i.e., augmentative and alternative communication) for individuals with significant expressive communication disabilities. These are communication disabilities (other than communication disabilities that are primarily visual or auditory in nature) that prevent or significantly limit an individual from understanding or being understood using spoken words, resulting in the need for or benefit from augmentative and alternative communication.

Actions Timeline

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