

HR 3836

Protecting our Students in Schools Act of 2021

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 11, 2021
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 11, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2029	Identical bill	Jun 10, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Jun 11, 2021)

Protecting our Students in Schools Act of 2021

This bill prohibits the use of corporal punishment in schools that receive federal funding.

Specifically, the bill authorizes the Department of Education (ED) to take specified actions (e.g., withholding funds and issuing cease-and-desist orders) for schools that allow school personnel, law enforcement officers, or school security guards to subject students to corporal punishment.

The bill also establishes enforcement provisions, including a private right of action for a student who has been subjected to corporal punishment.

Each state educational agency (SEA) that receives federal funding must submit specified information to ED, including a school climate report that describes the SEA's policies and procedures related to exclusionary and aversive discipline practices in schools.

Additionally, the bill authorizes ED to award three-year grants to SEAs and, through them, subgrants to local educational agencies to implement positive behavioral interventions and supports to address student behavior and reduce exclusionary and aversive discipline practices.

ED must promulgate regulations as necessary to ensure compliance with the bill. The Department of Defense and the Department of the Interior must ensure that the schools they operate or fund also comply with these regulations.

Actions Timeline

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