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Trauma-Informed Schools Act of 2022

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 26, 2022

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Related Bills

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117 HR 8494	Related bill	Jul 26, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

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This bill provides for the use of trauma-informed practices in public elementary and secondary schools and allows states to use certain federal funds to train teachers and other staff in such practices.

The bill defines *trauma-informed practices* to include

- evidence-based professional development that promotes a shared understanding among teachers and other staff that adverse and potentially traumatic experiences are common among students and that school-wide learning environments where all students and adults feel safe, welcomed, and supported can enable students to succeed despite such experiences;
- adoption of disciplinary procedures and practices that utilize evidence-based restorative practices that build a culture of trust; and
- activities that engage teachers, other staff, and families in a process of school-based planning to help all students feel safe and connected to the school community.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 26, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
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