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Supporting Early-Career Researchers Act

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Committee Activity

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Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 9, 2021

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 1260	Related bill	Jun 8, 2021: Passed Senate, under the order of 5/28/21, having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 68 - 32. Record Vote Number: 226. (text: CR S4049-4499)
117 HR 144	Related bill	May 19, 2021: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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This bill authorizes the National Science Foundation (NSF) to establish a two-year pilot program to award grants to highly qualified early-career investigators to carry out an independent research program at the institution of higher education chosen by such investigator, to last for a period not greater than two years.

In awarding grants, the NSF shall give priority to (1) early-career investigators who are from groups that are underrepresented in scientific research, and (2) early-career investigators who choose to carry out independent research at a minority-serving institution.

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