

HR 7309

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2022

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Sponsor

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

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Cherfilus-McCormick, Sheila [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Mar 31, 2022
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Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Jones, Mondaire [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Levin, Andy [D-MI-9]	D · MI		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Mfume, Kweisi [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Mrvan, Frank J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Stevens, Haley M. [D-MI-11]	D · MI		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		Mar 31, 2022
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Apr 7, 2022
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Apr 7, 2022
Rep. Leger Fernandez, Teresa [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Apr 7, 2022
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Apr 7, 2022
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Apr 26, 2022
Rep. Manning, Kathy E. [D-NC-6]	D · NC		Apr 26, 2022
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		May 11, 2022
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		May 12, 2022
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		May 12, 2022
Rep. Bourdeaux, Carolyn [D-GA-7]	D · GA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		May 12, 2022
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		May 12, 2022
Rep. Carter, Troy [D-LA-2]	D · LA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Casten, Sean [D-IL-6]	D · IL		May 12, 2022
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		May 12, 2022
Rep. Escobar, Veronica [D-TX-16]	D · TX		May 12, 2022
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		May 12, 2022
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-3]	D · PA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		May 12, 2022
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		May 12, 2022

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Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		May 12, 2022
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		May 12, 2022
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		May 12, 2022
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		May 12, 2022
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		May 12, 2022
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		May 12, 2022
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		May 12, 2022
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		May 12, 2022
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 12, 2022
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		May 12, 2022
Rep. Williams, Nikema [D-GA-5]	D · GA		May 12, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Reported By	May 12, 2022
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 18, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 8086	Related bill	Jun 15, 2022: Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
117 HRES 1119	Related bill	May 17, 2022: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
117 HR 7785	Related bill	May 16, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7748	Related bill	May 12, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7406	Related bill	Apr 5, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7381	Related bill	Apr 4, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7385	Related bill	Apr 4, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7390	Related bill	Apr 4, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7392	Related bill	Apr 4, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7318	Related bill	Mar 31, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7323	Related bill	Mar 31, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 7347	Related bill	Mar 31, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 6436	Related bill	Jan 20, 2022: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 4850	Related bill	Jul 29, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
117 HR 836	Related bill	Feb 4, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2022

This bill reauthorizes through FY2028 and expands programs under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). The bill also revises workforce investment, vocational rehabilitation, employment, training, and literacy programs for eligible individuals.

For example, the bill

- increases workforce representation on state and local workforce investment boards from 20% to 30%;
- reworks one-stop center infrastructure funding by requiring costs to be covered by state allocations of WIOA funds;
- establishes subsidized youth employment programs that include work-readiness training and mentoring;
- allows states and localities to partner with educational institutions to address the skill needs for in-demand jobs;
- establishes grants to connect youth in communities disproportionately affected by gun violence with in-demand jobs;
- eliminates a requirement that the Department of Labor ensure that individuals participating in WIOA activities comply with Selective Service laws;
- modifies the allotment of youth workforce investment funds to states;
- requires Labor to prioritize providing access to certain services to girls and women and applications for assistance from minority-serving institutions;
- expands the Job Corps program, including by serving individuals in outlying areas and relaxing age requirements;
- establishes grants to expand training programs through industry or sector partnerships;
- expands grants for integrated English literacy and civics education to outlying areas; and
- expands Wagner-Peyser employment services to the Northern Mariana Islands and American Samoa.

The bill also provides statutory authority for Labor to award

- competitive grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements to improve employment and training outcomes and reduce recidivism of justice-involved youth; and
- competitive grants for states to create workforce longitudinal administrative databases.

Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2022:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **May 17, 2022:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 1119. (consideration: CR H5023-5070; text: CR H5024-5048)
- **May 17, 2022:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6531, H.R. 7309 and S. 2938. Measure will be considered read. Specified amendments are in order. The rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on each measure without intervening motions except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit Upon passage of H. Res. 1119, H. Res. 1118 is adopted.
- **May 17, 2022:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on H.R. 7309.
- **May 17, 2022:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1119, the House proceeded with 20 minutes of debate on the Scott (VA) amendment en bloc No. 1.
- **May 17, 2022:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Scott (VA) amendment en bloc No. 1, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Mr. Tiffany demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **May 17, 2022:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1119, the House proceeded with 20 minutes of debate on the Scott (VA) amendment en bloc No. 2.
- **May 17, 2022:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Scott (VA) amendment en bloc No. 2, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the ayes had prevailed. Ms. Foxx demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **May 17, 2022:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H.Res. 1119, the House proceeded with 20 minutes of debate on the Scott (VA) amendment en bloc No. 3.
- **May 17, 2022:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Scott (VA) amendment en bloc No. 3, the Chair put the question on adoption of the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Ms. Foxx demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **May 17, 2022:** DEBATE - Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1119, the House proceeded with 10 minutes of debate on the Miller-Meeks amendment No. 28.
- **May 17, 2022:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - At the conclusion of debate on the Miller-Meeks amendment, the Chair put the question on agreeing to the amendment and by voice vote, announced that the noes had prevailed. Mrs. Miller-Meeks demanded the yeas and nays and the Chair postponed further proceedings until a time to be announced.
- **May 17, 2022:** POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - Pursuant to clause 1(c) of Rule XIX, further consideration of H.R. 7309 was postponed until a time to be announced.
- **May 17, 2022:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5071-5076)
- **May 17, 2022:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **May 17, 2022:** Mr. Rutherford moved to recommit to the Committee on Education and Labor. (text: CR H5074)
- **May 17, 2022:** The previous question on the motion to recommit was ordered pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX.
- **May 17, 2022:** On motion to recommit Failed by the Yeas and Nays: 193 - 223 (Roll no. 192).
- **May 17, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 220 - 196 (Roll no. 193).
- **May 17, 2022:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 220 - 196 (Roll no. 193).
- **May 17, 2022:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 17, 2022:** The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references, and to make other necessary technical and conforming corrections in the engrossment of H.R. 7309.
- **May 16, 2022:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 1119 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6531, H.R. 7309 and S. 2938. Measure will be considered read. Specified amendments are in order. The rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on each measure without intervening motions except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit Upon passage of H. Res. 1119, H. Res. 1118 is adopted.
- **May 12, 2022:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Education and Labor. H. Rept. 117-321.
- **May 12, 2022:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 240.
- **Apr 5, 2022:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 5, 2022:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 31, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 31, 2022:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.