

S 744

REACH Act

Congress: 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Education

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Mar 15, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]

Party: Democratic • State: MN • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (13 total)

| Cosponsor                         | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]        | D · OH        |      | Mar 15, 2021 |
| Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA] | D · PA        |      | Mar 15, 2021 |
| Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]         | R · LA        |      | Mar 15, 2021 |
| Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]     | D · CA        |      | Apr 12, 2021 |
| Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]   | I · ME        |      | May 27, 2021 |
| Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]         | D · CA        |      | Jul 12, 2021 |
| Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]       | D · NJ        |      | Mar 31, 2022 |
| Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]          | D · NV        |      | Jun 6, 2022  |
| Sen. Graham, Lindsey [R-SC]       | R · SC        |      | Jul 27, 2022 |
| Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]       | D · VA        |      | Jul 27, 2022 |
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]     | R · ME        |      | Aug 2, 2022  |
| Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]            | D · VA        |      | Aug 2, 2022  |
| Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]      | D · NM        |      | Sep 13, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee  | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Mar 15, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

## Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action  |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| 117 HR 2525 | Related bill | <b>Apr 14, 2021:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. |
| 117 HR 1932 | Related bill | <b>Mar 16, 2021:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. |

## Summary (as of Mar 15, 2021)

### Report and Educate About Campus Hazing Act or the REACH Act

This bill requires institutions of higher education (IHEs) that participate in federal student-aid programs to report hazing incidents and implement hazing education programs.

Specifically, the bill requires each IHE to disclose hazing incidents that were reported to campus officials in its annual security report. The bill defines the term *hazing* to mean any intentional, knowing, or reckless act committed by a student, or a former student, of an IHE against another student (regardless of that student's willingness to participate), that (1) is connected with an initiation into, an affiliation with, or the maintenance of membership in an organization that is affiliated with the IHE (e.g., an athletic team); and (2) contributes to a substantial risk of physical injury, mental harm, or degradation or causes physical injury, mental harm, or personal degradation.

In addition, each IHE must implement a comprehensive program to prevent hazing, which must include information on hazing awareness, hazing prevention, and the IHE's policies on hazing.

### Actions Timeline

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