

## HR 9516

### AACCENT Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

**Introduced:** Dec 13, 2022

**Current Status:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. (Dec 13, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/9516>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 13, 2022

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 2	Identical bill	Nov 17, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

### Summary (as of Dec 13, 2022)

#### Augmentative and Alternative Communication Centers to Establish National Training Act or the AACCENT Act

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to award three grants in geographically diverse regions to establish a network of resource centers to improve access to tools, technologies, strategies, training, and other methods used to supplement or replace speech (i.e., augmentative and alternative communication) for individuals with significant expressive communication disabilities. These are communication disabilities (other than communication disabilities that are primarily visual or auditory in nature) that prevent or significantly limit an individual from understanding or being understood using spoken words, resulting in the need for or benefit from augmentative and alternative communication.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 13, 2022:** Introduced in House
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