

HR 6052

21st Century Dyslexia Act

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Sponsor

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Rep. Bucshon, Larry [R-IN-8]	R · IN		Oct 25, 2023
Rep. Burlison, Eric [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Oct 25, 2023
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Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Oct 25, 2023
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Rep. Hageman, Harriet M. [R-WY-At Large]	R · WY		Feb 5, 2024
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Related Bills

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This bill addresses the education of children with disabilities, with a particular focus on children with dyslexia.

Currently, dyslexia is listed as one of the disabilities under the definition of *specific learning disability* in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This bill instead removes dyslexia from the definition of *specific learning disability* and establishes a stand-alone definition for *dyslexia* within the IDEA.

Specifically, the bill defines *dyslexia* for purposes of the IDEA as an unexpected difficulty in reading for an individual who has the intelligence to be a much better reader, most commonly caused by a difficulty in the phonological processing (the appreciation of the individual sounds of spoken language), which affects the ability of an individual to speak, read, and spell.

Additionally, the bill requires a local educational agency or other agency, in determining eligibility for or providing an accommodation or service under the IDEA, to provide equal access to (1) children from low-income families, (2) children from families with low socioeconomic status, and (3) children who are limited English proficient.

Actions Timeline

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