

## S 848

### PROSPECT Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Families

**Introduced:** Mar 16, 2023

**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 16, 2023)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 16, 2023

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 16, 2023

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Families

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 1630	Related bill	Dec 17, 2024: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## **Preparing and Resourcing Our Student Parents and Early Childhood Teachers Act or the PROSPECT Act**

This bill establishes various grant programs to increase the supply of, and access to, high-quality, early-childhood care. Specifically, grants are established for

- planning and developing expanded access to free infant and toddler child care for student parents attending community college or minority-serving institutions;
- providing free infant and toddler child care to such student parents, including developing on-campus child care centers that meet specified requirements;
- training, mentorships, and technical support to community child care agencies and the professional development of licensed and unlicensed child care professionals; and
- increasing the workforce pipeline of high-quality infant and toddler child care providers, particularly in locations with a low supply of affordable care.

The bill also revises the formula for providing federal matching funds to states providing child care assistance.

Further, the bill requires the Department of Education's college cost calculator to include information about the dependent care allowance with respect to the cost of attendance and financial aid.

### **Actions Timeline**

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