

HR 882

American Teacher Act

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Rep. Hoyle, Val T. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Apr 24, 2023
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Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Apr 24, 2023
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Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-8]	D · MI		May 30, 2023
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Jun 12, 2023
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Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jul 25, 2023
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Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-8]	D · CA		Oct 26, 2023
Rep. Budzinski, Nikki [D-IL-13]	D · IL		Nov 3, 2023

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Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		May 14, 2024
Rep. Sorensen, Eric [D-IL-17]	D · IL		May 14, 2024
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Aug 27, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 8, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 8, 2023)

American Teacher Act

This bill establishes grants to increase the minimum salary of public elementary and secondary school teachers. It also authorizes a national campaign regarding the value of the teaching profession.

First, the bill directs the Department of Education (ED) to award four-year grants to states and, through them, subgrants to local educational agencies to establish a minimum annual salary of \$60,000 (to be adjusted annually for inflation) for these teachers.

Second, the bill directs ED to award grants to eligible state educational agencies to provide cost-of-living adjustments to the annual base salary of teachers.

Finally, the bill authorizes ED to carry out a national campaign to (1) increase awareness about the importance of teachers and the value of the teaching profession, (2) encourage secondary school and college students to consider teaching as a professional career, and (3) diversify the pool of individuals who enter the teaching profession.

Actions Timeline

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