

HR 969

GAAME Act of 2023

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Education

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Sponsor

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

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Feb 9, 2023
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Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Feb 9, 2023
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Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Feb 9, 2023
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Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Ross, Deborah K. [D-NC-2]	D · NC		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Feb 9, 2023
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Apr 19, 2023
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Apr 19, 2023
Rep. Magaziner, Seth [D-RI-2]	D · RI		May 9, 2023
Rep. Goldman, Daniel S. [D-NY-10]	D · NY		May 23, 2023
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 11, 2023
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		Mar 21, 2024
Rep. Lee, Summer L. [D-PA-12]	D · PA		Jun 28, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 9, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Education

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 S 364	Identical bill	Feb 9, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Feb 9, 2023)

Guarantee Access to Arts and Music Education Act of 2023 or the GAAME Act of 2023

This bill specifies that funds that support the instructional needs of elementary and secondary students from low-income families (i.e., Title I funds) may be used for arts and music programs.

First, the bill specifies that schools operating school-wide programs may include descriptions related to arts and music education in their comprehensive plans. Such a plan may include a description of (1) how sequential, standards-based arts education taught by certified educators and providers meet the challenging state academic standards, and (2) how sequential, standards-based music education taught by certified educators align with the challenging state academic standards.

Second, the bill specifies that schools operating targeted assistance programs may use funds for arts and music programs that address the academic needs of students. This assistance may include providing support for certified educators, professional development, supplies, instruments, and other expenses.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 9, 2023:** Introduced in House
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