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LEGISLATION: P-12 Education

H.CON.RES.126

Title: Supporting the goals and ideals of the Day of Silence with respect to discrimination and harassment faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals in schools.

Sponsor: [Rep Engel, Eliot L. \[NY-17\]](#) (introduced 4/23/2007) [Cosponsors \(9\)](#)

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.RES.344

Title: Congratulating charter schools and their students, parents, teachers, and administrators across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Boustany, Charles W., Jr. \[LA-7\]](#) (introduced 4/30/2007) [Cosponsors \(4\)](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/1/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

H.R.1867

Title: To authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010 for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Baird, Brian [WA-3] (introduced 4/17/2007) Cosponsors (21)

Related Bills: H.RES.349

Latest Major Action: 5/1/2007 Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 349 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1867 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Measure will be considered read. Bill is open to amendments. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Science and Technology now printed in the bill.

H.R.2070

Title: To amend part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding adequate yearly progress and assessments.

Sponsor: Rep Udall, Mark [CO-2] (introduced 4/26/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

S.761

Title: A bill to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy.

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 3/5/2007) Cosponsors (69)

Latest Major Action: 4/30/2007 Held at the desk.

S.1185

Title: A bill to provide grants to States to improve high schools and raise graduation rates while ensuring rigorous standards, to develop and implement effective school models for struggling students and dropouts, and to improve State policies to raise graduation rates, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Bingaman, Jeff [NM] (introduced 4/23/2007) Cosponsors (4)

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S.1194

Title: A bill to improve the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Dodd, Christopher J. [CT] (introduced 4/24/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Latest Major Action: 4/24/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S.1217

Title: A bill to enhance the safety of elementary schools, secondary schools, and institutions of higher learning.

Sponsor: Sen Boxer, Barbara [CA] (introduced 4/25/2007) Cosponsors (6)

Latest Major Action: 4/25/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S.1232

Title: A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, to develop a voluntary policy for managing the risk of food allergy and anaphylaxis in schools, to establish school-based food allergy management grants, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Dodd, Christopher J. [CT] (introduced 4/26/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S.1236

Title: A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding highly qualified teachers, growth models, adequate yearly progress, Native American language programs, and parental involvement, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Murkowski, Lisa [AK] (introduced 4/26/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

LEGISLATION: Teacher Development

S.1231

Title: A bill to amend part A of title II of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to enhance teacher training and teacher preparation programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Reed, Jack [RI] (introduced 4/26/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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LEGISLATION: Higher Education

H.RES.334

Title: Supporting the goals and ideals of National Community College Month.

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Brad [NC-13] (introduced 4/24/2007) Cosponsors (26)

Latest Major Action: 5/1/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 420 - 0 (Roll no. 270).

H.R.1994

Title: To provide more transparency in the financial aid process and to ensure that students are receiving the best information about financial aid opportunities.

Sponsor: Rep McKeon, Howard P. "Buck" [CA-25] (introduced 4/23/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the

Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R.2017

Title: To provide access and assistance to increase college attendance and completion by part-time students.

Sponsor: Rep Holt, Rush D. [NJ-12] (introduced 4/24/2007) Cosponsors (32)

Latest Major Action: 4/24/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

H.R.2023

Title: To establish a student loan forgiveness program for members of the Sudanese Diaspora to enable them to return to southern Sudan and contribute to the reconstruction effort of southern Sudan.

Sponsor: Rep Tancredo, Thomas G. [CO-6] (introduced 4/24/2007) Cosponsors (3)

Latest Major Action: 4/24/2007 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

S.1167

Title: A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to provide funding for student loan repayment for civil legal assistance attorneys.

Sponsor: Sen Harkin, Tom [IA] (introduced 4/19/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/19/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S.1228

Title: A bill to amend section 485(f) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 regarding law enforcement emergencies.

Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (introduced 4/26/2007) Cosponsors (1)

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

S.1230

Title: A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a refundable credit for contributions to qualified tuition programs.

Sponsor: Sen Dodd, Christopher J. [CT] (introduced 4/26/2007) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2007 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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LEGISLATION: Disability

S.1159

Title: A bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to provide full Federal funding of such part.

Sponsor: Sen Hagel, Chuck [NE] (introduced 4/19/2007) Cosponsors (12)

Latest Major Action: 4/19/2007 Referred to Senate committee. **Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICES: P - 12

Department of Education, Office of the Secretary

Type: Semi-annual regulatory agenda

Title: Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions

Dates: N/A

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/30apr20070800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/ua070430/ua070406.txt>

Institute of Education Sciences

Type: Comment Request

Title: The Effect of Connected Mathematics 2 (CM2) on the Math Achievement of Middle School Students.

Dates: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 29, 2007.

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-8046.htm>

Institute of Education Sciences

Type: Comment Request

Title: Private School Universe Survey.

Dates: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 29, 2007.

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-8005.htm>

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Office of Postsecondary Education

Type: Notice of intent to fund down the grant slate for the Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program--Recruitment Grants for States and Partnerships.

Title: Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program--Recruitment Grants for States and Partnerships

Dates: N/A

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-7684.htm>

Office of Federal Student Aid

Type: Comment Request

Title: Fiscal Operations Report for 2006-2007 and Application to Participate for 2008-2009 (FISAP) and Reallocation Form E40-4P.

Dates: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 23, 2007.

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-7629.htm>

Institute of Education Sciences

Type: Comment Request

Title: Online and Distance Education Courses at Postsecondary Institutions.

Dates: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 29, 2007.

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-8047.htm>

Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools

Type: Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

Title: Alcohol, Other Drug, and Violence Prevention Survey of American College Campuses.

Dates: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 29, 2007.

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-7629.htm>

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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type: Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

Title: RSA Grantee Reporting Form.

Dates: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 26, 2007.

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-8080.htm>

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type: Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

Title: Performance Report: Personnel Development for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Dates: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 26, 2007.

For More Information:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-8081.htm>

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