



# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

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## Proposed Early Care and Education Investments

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# INTRODUCTION

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- In January, House of Representatives and Senate released their respective economic recovery packages
- While proposals are different, both propose significant investments in early care and education

# EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

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## OVERVIEW

- Child Care and Development Block Grant Program
- Head Start/Early Head Start
- IDEA Infant and Toddler program (Part C) and IDEA preschool program
- Title I Education Grants
- School Modernization
- Neighborhood Stabilization Program
- State Fiscal Stabilization Fund for Restoration of Education

# **EARLY CARE & EDUCATION PROPOSALS**

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## **HOUSE v SENATE**

# CHILD CARE & DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

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## HOUSE PROPOSAL

- \$2 billion for CCDBG program
  - \$1 billion to be made available within 30 days of enactment
  - \$1 billion available by October 1, 2009
- Appropriated as discretionary funding; no state match required
- States must obligate funds within two years; spend within three years

# CHILD CARE & DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

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## SENATE PROPOSAL

- \$2 billion for CCDBG program
  - \$255.2 million designated for quality improvements
    - \$93.6 million is for improving quality of infant/toddler care
- Funding available through September 30, 2010
- Appropriated as discretionary funding; no state match required
- States must obligate funds within two years; spend within three years

# HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START

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## HOUSE PROPOSAL

- \$2.1 billion for Head Start/Early Head Start
  - \$1.1 billion designated for Early Head Start expansion
    - 10% for training and technical assistance
    - 3% for monitoring purposes
    - No set timeframes for awarding grants specified
- Of \$1 billion for Head Start/Early Head Start
  - \$550 billion available upon enactment
    - awards to grantees within 90 days
    - additional 30 day extension allowed for new grants
  - \$550 billion available on October 1, 2009

# HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START

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## SENATE PROPOSAL

- \$500 million for Head Start
- \$550 million for Early Head Start
  - 10% for training and technical assistance
  - 3% for monitoring purposes
- Funds available through September 30, 2010

# IDEA (INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT)

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## HOUSE PROPOSAL

- \$13 billion for Special Education/IDEA (Part B)
- \$600 million for IDEA infant and toddler program (Part C)
  - \$300 million available July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010
  - \$300 million available July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011

# IDEA (INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT)

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## SENATE PROPOSAL

- \$12.4 billion for Special Education/IDEA
- 15% of IDEA Part B grants dedicated to services for preschool age disabled children
- \$500 million for IDEA infant and toddler program (Part C)
- Funds available through September 30, 2010

# TITLE I EDUCATION GRANTS

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## HOUSE PROPOSAL

- \$13 billion in Title I funding
- States can use funds on early care and education programs for children from birth to five
- Half of funding available July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010; other half available July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011

# TITLE I EDUCATION GRANTS

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## SENATE PROPOSAL

- \$12.4 billion in Title I funding
- Local education agencies (LEAs) required to spend at least 15% of \$11 billion of funds to support programs on children prior to school entry
- Funds available through September 30, 2010

# SCHOOL MODERNIZATION HOUSE PROPOSAL

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- \$12 billion to renovate, repair and build public schools
- Early learning facilities *not* included as allowable use of funds

# SCHOOL MODERNIZATION SENATE PROPOSAL

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- \$16 billion to renovate, repair and build public schools
- May include renovation of existing facilities to serve children under five years old
- Funds available through September 30, 2010
- Funds to be allocated to States within 60 days of enactment and States have additional 60 days to distribute allocations to LEAs

**ELIMINATED**

# NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION HOUSE PROPOSAL

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- \$4.19 billion in competitive grants for development of abandoned and foreclosed homes
- Construction and rehabilitation of early childhood and development centers serving low-income households *not* included in allowable use of funds

# NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION

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## SENATE PROPOSAL

- \$2.25 billion in competitive grants for development of abandoned and foreclosed homes
- Funding available to states, local governments and nonprofit entities
- Construction and rehabilitation of early childhood and development centers serving low-income households *is* allowable use of funds
- Funds must be awarded within one year of enactment
- Grantees must expend at least 75% of funds within two years of date funds become available and 100% within three years

**ELIMINATED**

# STATE FISCAL STABILIZATION FUND FOR RESTORATION OF EDUCATION --- HOUSE PROPOSAL

- \$39 billion to states to support elementary, secondary and postsecondary education
- Early childhood education programs and services *not* included as allowable use of funds

# STATE FISCAL STABILIZATION FUND FOR RESTORATION OF EDUCATION

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## SENATE PROPOSAL

- \$27 billion earmarked to support elementary, secondary and postsecondary education
- Early childhood education programs and services, as applicable, included as allowable use of funds
- Funds available through September 30, 2010
- Funds not obligated with one year of receiving grant must be returned

# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

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## HOUSE V SENATE PROPOSAL

- House: \$360 million for new centers
- Senate: \$353 million for new centers

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