H.R. 1037, as amended
Pilot College Work Study Programs for Veterans Act of 2009

Title: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a five-year pilot project to test the feasibility and advisability of expanding the scope of certain qualifying work-study activities under title 38, United States Code.

Ms. Herseth Sandlin of South Dakota introduced H.R. 1037 on February 12, 2009.

H.R. 1037, as amended, would:
1. Direct the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs to conduct a five-year pilot project to expand on existing work-study activities.
2. Authorize student veterans to participate in work-study positions in academic departments (including positions as tutors or research, teaching, and lab assistants) and in student services (including positions in career centers and financial aid, campus orientation, cashiers, admissions, records, and registration offices).
3. Require the VA secretary to publish regulations on the supervision of veterans participating in a work-study position.
4. Authorize $10 million to be used from the VA's discretionary funds for each fiscal years 2010 through 2014.

Effective Date: Date of enactment.

Cost: Preliminary cost estimate from CBO estimates that implementation of H.R. 1037 would be $50 million over five years in discretionary spending.

Legislative History:
May 21, 2009:   Legislative hearing held by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
June 4, 2009:   Ordered reported, as amended, by the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
June 10, 2009: Ordered reported, as amended, by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
June 18, 2009: Reported, as amended, H. Rept. 111-162.
July 14, 2009: Passed the House by the Yeas and Nays: 422-0 (Roll No. 535)
Oct. 7, 2009:   Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

Provisions of S. 728 were included in this bill. (S. 728 incorporated S. 263, S. 347, S. 514, S. 820, S. 842, S. 847, and S. 919)