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S. 337

To amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to assist State and local educational agencies in establishing teacher recruitment centers, teacher internship programs, and mobile professional development teams, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 14, 2001

Mr. DOMENICI introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Teacher Recruitment,
5 Development, and Retention Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. TEACHER RECRUITMENT CENTERS.**

2 Title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education
3 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6601 et seq.) is amended—

4 (1) by redesignating part E as part H;

5 (2) by redesignating sections 2401 and 2402 as
6 sections 2701 and 2702, respectively; and

7 (3) by inserting after part D the following:

8 **“PART E—TEACHER RECRUITMENT CENTERS**

9 **“SEC. 2401. GRANTS.**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants
11 to State educational agencies to establish and operate
12 State teacher recruitment centers.

13 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—An agency that receives a
14 grant under subsection (a) shall use the funds made avail-
15 able through the grant to establish and operate a center
16 that—

17 “(1) serves as a statewide clearinghouse for the
18 recruitment and placement of kindergarten, elemen-
19 tary school, and secondary school teachers; and

20 “(2) establishes and carries out programs to
21 improve teacher recruitment and retention within
22 the State.

23 “(c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
24 under subsection (a), an agency shall submit an applica-
25 tion to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and
26 containing such information as the Secretary may require.

1 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
 2 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part
 3 \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2002 and such sums as may
 4 be necessary for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2006.”.

5 **SEC. 3. TEACHER INTERNSHIPS.**

6 Title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education
 7 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6601 et seq.), as amended by sec-
 8 tion 2, is further amended by inserting after part E the
 9 following:

10 **“PART F—TEACHER INTERNSHIPS**

11 **“SEC. 2501. GRANTS.**

12 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants
 13 to State educational agencies and local educational agen-
 14 cies to establish teacher internship programs.

15 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—An agency that receives a
 16 grant under subsection (a) shall use the funds made avail-
 17 able through the grant to establish teacher internship pro-
 18 grams in which a new teacher employed in the State or
 19 district involved—

20 “(1) is hired on a probationary basis for a 1–
 21 year period; and

22 “(2) is required to participate in an internship
 23 during that year, under the supervision of a mentor
 24 teacher, in addition to meeting any State or local re-
 25 quirement concerning student teaching.

1 “(c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
 2 under subsection (a), an agency shall submit an applica-
 3 tion to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and
 4 containing such information as the Secretary may require.

5 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
 6 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part
 7 \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2002 and such sums as may
 8 be necessary for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2006.”.

9 **SEC. 4. MOBILE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEAMS.**

10 Title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education
 11 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6601 et seq.), as amended by sec-
 12 tion 3, is further amended by inserting after part F the
 13 following:

14 **“PART G—MOBILE PROFESSIONAL**
 15 **DEVELOPMENT TEAMS**

16 **“SEC. 2601. GRANTS.**

17 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants
 18 to State educational agencies to carry out professional de-
 19 velopment activities through mobile professional develop-
 20 ment teams.

21 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—An agency that receives a
 22 grant under subsection (a) shall use the funds made avail-
 23 able through the grant to carry out, directly or by grant
 24 or contract with entities approved by the agency, activities
 25 that—

1 “(1) at a minimum, provide professional devel-
 2 opment with respect to State licensing and certifi-
 3 cation (including recertification) requirements of
 4 teachers and administrators; and

5 “(2) are provided by mobile professional devel-
 6 opment teams, in the school district in which the
 7 teachers and administrators are employed, or at a
 8 centrally located regional site.

9 “(c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
 10 under subsection (a), an agency shall submit an applica-
 11 tion to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and
 12 containing such information as the Secretary may require.

13 “(d) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this sec-
 14 tion, the Secretary shall give priority to agencies proposing
 15 to carry out professional development activities through
 16 mobile professional development teams that will primarily
 17 operate in rural areas.

18 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
 19 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part
 20 \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2002 and such sums as may
 21 be necessary for each of fiscal years 2003 through 2006.”.

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