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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. RICHARDSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Cainaan Putuga Wendt Shock of Life Act”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

(1) nearly 95 percent of sudden cardiac arrest victims pass away before ever reaching a hospital;
(2) according to the American Academy of Pediatrics, approximately 2,000 people under the age
of 25 die from sudden cardiac arrest in the United States each year; and

(3) on average, one high school student dies of cardiac arrest every three days.

SEC. 3. GRANT PROGRAM FOR AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS.

(a) PURPOSES.—The Secretary of Education shall carry out a program under which the Secretary makes
grants to local educational agencies, to be used by the local educational agencies—

(1) to purchase automated external defibrillators for use in eligible schools in the district
of the local educational agency; and

(2) to provide training to enable eligible schools in the district of the local educational agency to
meet the requirements of subsection (e), but only if the automated external defibrillators in use at such
schools were acquired through a grant under this Act.

(b) GRANT REQUIREMENTS.—To be eligible to re-
ceive a grant under this Act, a local educational agency—
(1) shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such form, and containing such information as the Secretary may require;

(2) shall, except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), provide funds from non-Federal sources equal to not less than 25 percent of the amount of the grant for the purpose of carrying out this Act; and

(3) shall fulfill the requirements of subsection (e).

(c) Private Secondary Schools.—A local educational agency may require an eligible school described in section 5(1)(B) to provide some or all of the funds required under subsection (b)(2) of this section.

(d) Waiver.—The Secretary shall waive the requirement of subsection (b)(2) for a local educational agency if the number of children from families below the poverty level as counted under section 1124(e)(1)(A) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6333(e)(1)(A)) is 20 percent or more of the total number of children aged 5 to 17, inclusive, in the school district of the local educational agency.

(e) Requirements for Eligible Schools.—A local educational agency shall demonstrate to the Secretary that, for each eligible school at which automated
external defibrillators acquired under this Act are to be used—

(1) there are at least 5 individuals at the eligible school who—

(A) are employees or volunteers;

(B) are at least 18 years of age; and

(C) are certified, or will be certified, in the use of automated external defibrillators, and in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, through training conducted by the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, the National Safety Council, or another nationally recognized organization offering similar training programs with comparable standards;

(2) the eligible school will ensure the continuing availability of individuals described in paragraph (1);

(3) local paramedics and other emergency services personnel are notified where on school grounds the automated external defibrillators are to be located; and

(4) the automated external defibrillators will be integrated into the school’s emergency response plan or procedures.
SEC. 4. PRIORITY.

In making grants under this Act, the Secretary shall give priority to local educational agencies that have within their district eligible schools—

(1) that do not already have an automated external defibrillator on school grounds;

(2) at which a significant number of students, staff, and visitors are present on school grounds during a typical day; and

(3) with respect to which the average time required for emergency medical services (as defined in section 330J(f) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254e–15(f))) to reach the school is greater than the average time for emergency medical services to reach other public facilities in the community.

SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) ELIGIBLE SCHOOL.—The term “eligible school” means—

(A) any secondary school as defined by section 9101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801); or

(B) any private secondary school that receives services or benefits provided under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.).
(2) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term “local educational agency” has the meaning given the term in section 9101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this Act such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2014 through 2019.