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# H. R. 88

To suspend Federal education benefits to individuals convicted of drug offenses.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SOLOMON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## A BILL

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convicted of drug offenses.

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. SUSPENSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR DRUG-**  
4       **RELATED OFFENSES.**

5       Section 484 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20  
6       U.S.C. 1091) is amended by adding at the end thereof  
7       the following new subsection:

8       “(q) SUSPENSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR DRUG-  
9       RELATED OFFENSES.—

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1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual student who  
 2           has been convicted of any offense under any Federal  
 3           or State law involving the possession or sale of a  
 4           controlled substance shall not be eligible to receive  
 5           any grant, loan, or work assistance under this title  
 6           during the period beginning on the date of such con-  
 7           viction and ending after the interval specified in the  
 8           following table:

          “If convicted of an offense involving:

The possession of a controlled substance:	Ineligibility period is:
First offense .....	1 year
Second offense .....	2 years
Third offense .....	indefinite
The sale of a controlled substance:	
First offense .....	2 years
Second offense .....	indefinite

9           “(2) REHABILITATION.—A student whose eligi-  
 10          bility has been suspended under paragraph (1) may  
 11          resume eligibility before the end of the period deter-  
 12          mined under such paragraph if the student satisfac-  
 13          torily completes a drug rehabilitation program that  
 14          complies with such criteria as the Secretary shall  
 15          prescribe for purposes of this paragraph.

16          “(3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this subsection,  
 17          the term ‘controlled substance’ has the meaning  
 18          given in section 102(6) of the Controlled Substances  
 19          Act (21 U.S.C. 802(6)).”.

1 **SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2       The amendment made by section 1 shall apply with  
3 respect to financial assistance to cover the costs of attend-  
4 ance for periods of enrollment beginning after the date  
5 of enactment of this Act.

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