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S. 1215

To prohibit spending Federal education funds on national testing.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ASHCROFT introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources

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. PROHIBITION ON NATIONAL TESTING.**

4 Part C of the General Education Provisions Act (20
5 U.S.C. 1231 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
6 the following:

7 **“SEC. 447. PROHIBITION ON NATIONAL TESTING.**

8 “(a) GENERAL PROHIBITION.—Notwithstanding any
9 other provision of Federal law, funds provided to the De-
10 partment or for an applicable program may not be used

1 to develop, plan, implement, or administer any national
2 testing program.

3 “(b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to
4 the following:

5 “(1) The National Assessment of Educational
6 Progress carried out under section 411 of the Na-
7 tional Education Statistics Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C.
8 9010).

9 “(2) The Third International Mathematics and
10 Science Study (TIMSS).”.

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