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To require local educational agencies to develop and implement a random drug testing and counseling program for students in grades 9 through 12.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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 “Parental Consent Drug
5 Testing and Counseling Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANT AUTHORIZATION.**

7 (a) STATE GRANTS.—The Secretary is authorized to
8 provide grants to State educational agencies to provide
9 subgrants that enable each local educational agency in the
10 State to develop and implement a random drug testing

1 and counseling program authorized by parents for stu-
2 dents in grades 9 through 12 that shall be conducted on
3 school premises.

4 (b) STATE APPLICATION.—Any State educational
5 agency that wishes to receive a grant under this part for
6 any fiscal year shall submit an application to the Secretary
7 at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may
8 require.

9 (c) LOCAL SUBGRANTS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each State educational
11 agency that receives a grant award under this Act
12 shall award not less than 99.75 of such amount to
13 provide subgrants to local educational agencies.

14 (2) LOCAL APPLICATION.—Each Local edu-
15 cational agency that wishes to receive a subgrant
16 under this part for any fiscal year shall submit an
17 application to the State educational agency at such
18 time and in such manner as the State educational
19 agency may require.

20 **SEC. 3. ALLOCATION.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—

22 (1) STATE ALLOCATION.—The Secretary shall
23 allocate the amount available to carry out this Act
24 and not reserved under subsection (b)(1) to each of
25 the States as follows:

1 (A) Fifty percent shall be allocated among
2 such States on the basis of their relative popu-
3 lations of students in grades 9 through 12, as
4 determined by the Secretary on the basis of the
5 most recent satisfactory data.

6 (B) Fifty percent shall be allocated among
7 such States in accordance with the relative
8 amounts such States received under part A of
9 title I of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-
10 cation Act of 1965 for the preceding fiscal year.

11 (2) LOCAL ALLOCATION.—The State shall allo-
12 cate the remaining amount available to carry out
13 this Act and not reserved under subsection (b) to
14 each of the local educational agencies in such State
15 as follows:

16 (A) 50 percent shall be allocated among
17 such local educational agencies on the basis of
18 their relative populations of students in grades
19 9 through 12, as determined by the Secretary
20 on the basis of the most recent satisfactory
21 data.

22 (B) 50 percent shall be allocated among
23 such local educational agencies in accordance
24 with the relative amounts such jurisdictions re-
25 ceived under part A of title I of the Elementary

1 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 for the
2 preceding fiscal year.

3 (3) REALLOCATION.—If any State does not
4 apply for an allotment under paragraph (1) or a
5 local educational agency does not apply for an allot-
6 ment under paragraph (2) for any fiscal year, the
7 Secretary or the State, as appropriate, shall reallo-
8 cate such amount to the remaining jurisdictions in
9 accordance with paragraph (1) or (2), as appro-
10 prium.

11 (b) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—

12 (1) SECRETARY.—The Secretary may reserve
13 the lesser of \$200,000 or 0.10 percent of the total
14 amount appropriated to carry out this Act in each
15 fiscal year for the costs of administration.

16 (2) STATE EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.—Each
17 State educational agency may reserve not more than
18 0.25 percent of any grant funds received under this
19 Act in each fiscal year for the costs of administra-
20 tion.

21 (3) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.—Each
22 local educational agency may reserve not more than
23 4 percent of any grant funds received under this Act
24 in each fiscal year for the costs of administration.

1 **SEC. 4. REQUIREMENTS AND OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Each local educational agency
3 that receives a grant under this Act shall certify to the
4 State educational agency that—

5 (1) funds received under this Act shall be used
6 in accordance with subsection (b);

7 (2) the agency shall develop a plan to imple-
8 ment a drug testing and counseling program; and

9 (3) before implementation, any drug testing and
10 counseling plan or subsequent amendment to such
11 plan shall be considered a public document and
12 made available to the public for review, not later
13 than 30 days after such plan or amendment is avail-
14 able.

15 (b) USES OF FUNDS.—A local educational agency
16 that receives a grant under this Act shall utilize such
17 funds to provide, either directly or through contract with
18 outside sources, the following:

19 (1) 50 percent of funds allocated under section
20 3 shall be used to perform drug testing for each stu-
21 dent in grades 9 through 12 for which the agency
22 has received parental permission, not less than once
23 each year. Such testing shall, at a minimum, include
24 a drug screening for marijuana, amphetamines,
25 phencyclidine (PCP), opiates, and cocaine.

1 (2) 50 percent of funds allocated under section
2 3 shall be used to provide counseling services to any
3 high school student who receives a positive test re-
4 sult with such services continuing during the school
5 year until a parent withdraws permission for such
6 counseling.

7 (c) TESTING REQUIREMENTS.—A local educational
8 agency that receives a grant under this Act shall imple-
9 ment policies regarding drug testing as follows:

10 (1) In the case of any student who receives a
11 positive drug test result for the first time during
12 that school year, an additional drug test shall be ad-
13 ministered.

14 (2) In the case of any student who receives a
15 second positive drug test result, additional drug
16 tests will be provided every 4 to 6 weeks until the
17 parents of the student withdraw permission for drug
18 testing.

19 **SEC. 5. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.**

20 (a) REPORTING OF TEST RESULTS.—Each local edu-
21 cational agency that receives funds under this Act shall
22 inform parents in detail regarding the random testing pro-
23 gram and the counseling program to ensure that—

24 (1) at the beginning of each school year parents
25 are notified of the option to enroll their child in the

1 random drug testing program and informed of the
2 counseling program and services offered through the
3 program; and

4 (2) parents are notified, on a timely basis,
5 regarding—

6 (A) the positive results of any drug test of
7 their child who participates in the program; and

8 (B) the refusal of their child to take a
9 drug test or participate in the counseling pro-
10 gram, if applicable.

11 (b) CONFIDENTIALITY.—The local educational agen-
12 cy shall develop and enforce standards designed to protect
13 the confidentiality of all student test results with the re-
14 sults of such tests released only to the parents of a stu-
15 dent. No other public or private entity may receive or have
16 access to drug testing results. No law enforcement agency
17 shall have access to drug testing results. States shall de-
18 velop policies dealing with violations of confidentiality.

19 **SEC. 6. DEFINITIONS.**

20 For purposes of this Act—

21 (1) the term “parent” includes a legal guardian
22 or other person standing in loco parentis;

23 (2) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary
24 of Education; and

1 (3) the term “State” means each of the 50
2 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth
3 of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands,
4 American Samoa, and Guam.

5 **SEC. 7. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

6 There are authorized to be appropriated
7 \$1,000,000,000 to carry out this Act for each of fiscal
8 years 1999 through 2003.

9 **SEC. 8. AMENDMENT TO ESEA.**

10 (a) AMENDMENT.—Part E of title XIV of the Ele-
11 mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 is amend-
12 ed by adding at the end the following:

13 **“SEC. 14515. RANDOM DRUG TESTING AND COUNSELING.**

14 “Any local educational agency that receives funds
15 under this Act shall implement a drug testing and coun-
16 seling program that meets the requirements of the ‘Em-
17 powering Parents to Fight Drugs Act of 1998.’”.

18 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—A local educational agency
19 shall implement a drug testing and counseling program
20 referred to in section 14515 of the Elementary and Sec-
21 ondary Education Act of 1965 not later than the school
22 year beginning 1 year after the date of the enactment of
23 this Act.

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