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AN ACT

To amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve literacy through family literacy projects and to reauthorize the inexpensive book distribution program.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Literacy Involves Fam-
3 ilies Together Act”.

4 **TITLE I—FAMILY LITERACY**

5 **SEC. 101. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

6 Section 1002(b) of the Elementary and Secondary
7 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6302(b)) is amended
8 by striking “\$118,000,000 for fiscal year 1995 and such
9 sums as may be necessary for each of the four succeeding
10 fiscal years.” and inserting “\$250,000,000 for fiscal year
11 2001.”.

12 **SEC. 102. IMPROVING BASIC PROGRAMS OPERATED BY**
13 **LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.**

14 Section 1111(c) of the Elementary and Secondary
15 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311(c)) is amended—

16 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the
17 end;

18 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at
19 the end and inserting “; and”; and

20 (3) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(7) the State educational agency will encour-
22 age local educational agencies and individual schools
23 participating in a program assisted under this part
24 to offer family literacy services (using funds under
25 this part), if the agency or school determines that a
26 substantial number of students served under this

1 part by the agency or school have parents who do
 2 not have a high school diploma or its recognized
 3 equivalent or who have low levels of literacy.”.

4 **SEC. 103. EVEN START FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAMS.**

5 (a) PART HEADING.—The part heading for part B
 6 of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act
 7 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6361 et seq.) is amended to read as
 8 follows:

9 **“PART B—WILLIAM F. GOODLING EVEN START**
 10 **FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAMS”.**

11 (b) STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.—Section 1201 of the
 12 Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
 13 U.S.C. 6361) is amended—

14 (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “high qual-
 15 ity” after “build on”; and

16 (2) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-
 17 lows:

18 “(2) promote the academic achievement of chil-
 19 dren and adults;”;

20 (3) by striking the period at the end of para-
 21 graph (3) and inserting “; and”; and

22 (4) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(4) use instructional programs based on sci-
 24 entifically based reading research (as defined in sec-
 25 tion 2252) and the prevention of reading difficulties

1 for children and, to the extent such research is avail-
2 able, scientifically based reading research (as so de-
3 fined) for adults.”.

4 (c) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—

5 (1) RESERVATION FOR MIGRANT PROGRAMS,
6 OUTLYING AREAS, AND INDIAN TRIBES.—Section
7 1202(a) of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-
8 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6362(a)) is
9 amended—

10 (A) in paragraph (1), in the matter pre-
11 ceding subparagraph (A), by inserting “(or, if
12 such appropriated amount exceeds
13 \$200,000,000, 6 percent of such amount)”
14 after “1002(b)”;

15 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “If the
16 amount of funds made available under this sub-
17 section exceeds \$4,600,000,” and inserting
18 “After the date of the enactment of the Lit-
19 eracy Involves Families Together Act,”; and

20 (C) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(3) COORDINATION OF PROGRAMS FOR AMER-
22 ICAN INDIANS.—The Secretary shall ensure that
23 programs under paragraph (1)(C) are coordinated
24 with family literacy programs operated by the Bu-
25 reau of Indian Affairs in order to avoid duplication

1 and to encourage the dissemination of information
2 on high quality family literacy programs serving
3 American Indians.”.

4 (2) RESERVATION FOR FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.—
5 Section 1202(b) of the Elementary and Secondary
6 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6362(b)) is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 “(b) RESERVATION FOR FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.—

9 “(1) EVALUATION, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE,
10 PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT, AND REPLICATION ACTIVI-
11 TIES.—From amounts appropriated under section
12 1002(b), the Secretary may reserve not more than 3
13 percent of such amounts for purposes of—

14 “(A) carrying out the evaluation required
15 by section 1209; and

16 “(B) providing, through grants or con-
17 tracts with eligible organizations, technical as-
18 sistance, program improvement, and replication
19 activities.

20 “(2) RESEARCH.—In the case of fiscal years
21 2001 through 2004, if the amounts appropriated
22 under section 1002(b) for any of such years exceed
23 such amounts appropriated for the preceding fiscal
24 year, the Secretary shall reserve from such excess

1 amount \$2,000,000 or 50 percent, whichever is less,
2 to carry out section 1211(b).”.

3 (d) RESERVATION FOR GRANTS.—Section 1202(c)(1)
4 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965
5 (20 U.S.C. 6362(c)(1)) is amended—

6 (1) by striking “From funds reserved under
7 section 2260(b)(3), the Secretary shall award
8 grants,” and inserting “For any fiscal year for
9 which at least one State applies and qualifies and
10 for which the amount appropriated under section
11 1002(b) exceeds the amount appropriated under
12 such section for the preceding fiscal year, the Sec-
13 retary shall reserve, from the amount of such excess
14 remaining after the application of subsection (b)(2),
15 the amount of such remainder or \$1,000,000, which-
16 ever is less, to award grants,”; and

17 (2) by adding at the end “No State may receive
18 more than one grant under this subsection.”.

19 (e) ALLOCATIONS.—Section 1202(d)(2) of the Ele-
20 mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
21 6362(d)(2)) is amended by striking “that section” and in-
22 serting “that part”.

23 (f) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1202(e) of the Elemen-
24 tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
25 6362(e)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “or” after
2 “higher education,” and inserting “a religious orga-
3 nization, or”; and

4 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking “nonprofit or-
5 ganization” and inserting “nonprofit organization,
6 including a religious organization,”.

7 (g) SUBGRANTS FOR LOCAL PROGRAMS.—Section
8 1203(b)(2) of the Elementary and Secondary Education
9 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6363(b)(2)) is amended to read
10 as follows:

11 “(2) MINIMUM SUBGRANT AMOUNTS.—

12 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
13 subparagraphs (B) and (C), no State shall
14 award a subgrant under paragraph (1) in an
15 amount less than \$75,000.

16 “(B) SUBGRANTEES IN NINTH AND SUC-
17 CEEDING YEARS.—No State shall award a
18 subgrant under paragraph (1) in an amount
19 less than \$52,500 to an eligible entity for a fis-
20 cal year to carry out an Even Start program
21 that is receiving assistance under this part or
22 its predecessor authority for the ninth (or any
23 subsequent) fiscal year.

24 “(C) EXCEPTION FOR SINGLE
25 SUBGRANT.—A State may award one subgrant

1 in each fiscal year of sufficient size, scope, and
2 quality to be effective in an amount less than
3 \$75,000 if, after awarding subgrants under
4 paragraph (1) for such fiscal year in accordance
5 with subparagraphs (A) and (B), less than
6 \$75,000 is available to the State to award such
7 subgrants.”.

8 (h) USES OF FUNDS.—Section 1204 of the Elemen-
9 tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
10 6364) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “family-cen-
12 tered education programs” and inserting “family lit-
13 eracy services”; and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(c) USE OF FUNDS FOR FAMILY LITERACY SERV-
16 ICES.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—States may use a portion of
18 funds received under this part to assist eligible enti-
19 ties receiving a subgrant under section 1203(b) in
20 improving the quality of family literacy services pro-
21 vided under Even Start programs under this part,
22 except that in no case may a State’s use of funds
23 for this purpose for a fiscal year result in a decrease
24 from the level of activities and services provided to
25 program participants in the preceding year.

1 “(2) PRIORITY.—In carrying out paragraph (1),
2 a State shall give priority to programs that were of
3 low quality, as evaluated based on the indicators of
4 program quality developed by the State under sec-
5 tion 1210.

6 “(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO HELP LOCAL
7 PROGRAMS RAISE ADDITIONAL FUNDS.—In carrying
8 out paragraph (1), a State may use the funds re-
9 ferred to in such paragraph to provide technical as-
10 sistance to help local programs of demonstrated ef-
11 fectiveness to access and leverage additional funds
12 for the purpose of expanding services and reducing
13 waiting lists.

14 “(4) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.—
15 Assistance under paragraph (1) shall be in the form
16 of technical assistance and training, provided by a
17 State through a grant, contract, or cooperative
18 agreement with an entity that has experience in of-
19 fering high quality training and technical assistance
20 to family literacy providers.”.

21 (i) PROGRAM ELEMENTS.—Section 1205 of the Ele-
22 mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
23 6365) is amended—

24 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (9) and (10)
25 as paragraphs (13) and (14), respectively;

1 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (5) through
2 (8) as paragraphs (6) through (9), respectively;

3 (3) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(5) with respect to the qualifications of staff
6 the cost of whose salaries are paid, in whole or in
7 part, with Federal funds provided under this part,
8 ensure that—

9 “(A) not later than 4 years after the date
10 of the enactment of the Literacy Involves Fami-
11 lies Together Act—

12 “(i) a majority of the individuals pro-
13 viding academic instruction—

14 “(I) shall have obtained an asso-
15 ciate’s, bachelor’s, or graduate degree
16 in a field related to early childhood
17 education, elementary school edu-
18 cation, or adult education; or

19 “(II) shall meet qualifications es-
20 tablished by the State for early child-
21 hood education, elementary school
22 education, or adult education provided
23 as part of an Even Start program or
24 another family literacy program;

1 “(ii) the individual responsible for ad-
2 ministration of family literacy services
3 under this part has received training in the
4 operation of a family literacy program; and

5 “(iii) paraprofessionals who provide
6 support for academic instruction have a
7 high school diploma or its recognized
8 equivalent; and

9 “(B) beginning on the date of the enact-
10 ment of the Literacy Involves Families To-
11 gether Act, all new personnel hired to provide
12 academic instruction—

13 “(i) have obtained an associate’s,
14 bachelor’s, or graduate degree in a field re-
15 lated to early childhood education, elemen-
16 tary school education, or adult education;
17 or

18 “(ii) meet qualifications established by
19 the State for early childhood education, el-
20 elementary school education, or adult edu-
21 cation provided as part of an Even Start
22 program or another family literacy pro-
23 gram;”;

24 (4) by inserting after paragraph (9) (as so re-
25 designated by paragraph (2)) the following:

1 “(10) use instructional programs based on sci-
 2 entifically based reading research (as defined in sec-
 3 tion 2252) for children and, to the extent such re-
 4 search is available, for adults;

5 “(11) encourage participating families to attend
 6 regularly and to remain in the program a sufficient
 7 time to meet their program goals;

8 “(12) include reading readiness activities for
 9 preschool children based on scientifically based read-
 10 ing research (as defined in section 2252) to ensure
 11 children enter school ready to learn to read;” and

12 (5) in paragraph (14) (as so redesignated), by
 13 striking “program.” and inserting “program to be
 14 used for program improvement.”.

15 (j) ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS.—Section 1206 of the
 16 Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
 17 U.S.C. 6366) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (a)(1)(B) by striking “part;”
 19 and inserting “part, or who are attending secondary
 20 school;” and

21 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
 22 following:

23 “(3) CHILDREN 8 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.—
 24 If an Even Start program assisted under this part
 25 collaborates with a program under part A, and funds

1 received under such part A program contribute to
2 paying the cost of providing programs under this
3 part to children 8 years of age or older, the Even
4 Start program, notwithstanding subsection (a)(2),
5 may permit the participation of children 8 years of
6 age or older.”.

7 (k) PLAN.—Section 1207(c) of the Elementary and
8 Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6367(c)) is
9 amended—

10 (1) in paragraph (1)—

11 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
12 (A), by inserting “and continuous improve-
13 ment” after “plan of operation”;

14 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking
15 “goals;” and inserting “objectives, strategies to
16 meet such objectives, and how they are con-
17 sistent with the program indicators established
18 by the State;”;

19 (C) in subparagraph (E), by striking
20 “and” at the end;

21 (D) in subparagraph (F)—

22 (i) by striking “Act, the Goals 2000:
23 Educate America Act,” and inserting
24 “Act”; and

1 (ii) by striking the period at the end
2 and inserting “; and”; and

3 (E) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(G) a description of how the plan pro-
5 vides for rigorous and objective evaluation of
6 progress toward the program objectives de-
7 scribed in subparagraph (A) and for continuing
8 use of evaluation data for program improve-
9 ment.”; and

10 (2) in paragraph (2), in the matter preceding
11 subparagraph (A), by striking “(1)(A)” and insert-
12 ing “(1)”.

13 (l) AWARD OF SUBGRANTS.—Section 1208 of the El-
14 ementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
15 U.S.C. 6368) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) in paragraph (1)(B)—

18 (i) by striking “including a high” and
19 inserting “such as a high”; and

20 (ii) by striking “part A;” and insert-
21 ing “part A, a high number or percentage
22 of parents who have been victims of domes-
23 tic violence, or a high number or percent-
24 age of parents who are receiving assistance
25 under a State program funded under part

1 A of title IV of the Social Security Act (42
2 U.S.C. 601 et seq.);”;

3 (B) in paragraph (1)(F), by striking “Fed-
4 eral” and inserting “non-Federal”;

5 (C) in paragraph (1)(H), by inserting
6 “family literacy projects and other” before
7 “local educational agencies”; and

8 (D) in paragraph (3), in the matter pre-
9 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “one or
10 more of the following individuals:” and insert-
11 ing “one individual with expertise in family lit-
12 eracy programs, and may include other individ-
13 uals, such as one or more of the following:”;
14 and

15 (2) in subsection (b)—

16 (A) by striking paragraph (3) and insert-
17 ing the following:

18 “(3) CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY.—In awarding
19 subgrant funds to continue a program under this
20 part after the first year, the State educational agen-
21 cy shall review the progress of each eligible entity in
22 meeting the objectives of the program referred to in
23 section 1207(c)(1)(A) and shall evaluate the pro-
24 gram based on the indicators of program quality de-
25 veloped by the State under section 1210.”; and

1 (B) by amending paragraph (5)(B) to read
2 as follows:

3 “(B) The Federal share of any subgrant re-
4 newed under subparagraph (A) shall be limited in
5 accordance with section 1204(b).”.

6 (m) RESEARCH.—Section 1211 of the Elementary
7 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6369b)
8 is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (b), by striking “subsection
10 (a)” and inserting “subsections (a) and (b)”;

11 (2) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-
12 section (c); and

13 (3) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
14 lowing:

15 “(b) SCIENTIFICALLY BASED RESEARCH ON FAMILY
16 LITERACY.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—From amounts reserved
18 under section 1202(b)(2), the National Institute for
19 Literacy shall carry out research that—

20 “(A) is scientifically based reading re-
21 search (as defined in section 2252); and

22 “(B) determines—

23 “(i) the most effective ways of improv-
24 ing the literacy skills of adults with read-
25 ing difficulties; and

1 “(ii) how family literacy services can
2 best provide parents with the knowledge
3 and skills they need to support their chil-
4 dren’s literacy development.

5 “(2) USE OF EXPERT ENTITY.—The National
6 Institute for Literacy shall carry out the research
7 under paragraph (1) through an entity, including a
8 Federal agency, that has expertise in carrying out
9 longitudinal studies of the development of literacy
10 skills in children and has developed effective inter-
11 ventions to help children with reading difficulties.”.

12 (n) TREATMENT OF RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.—
13 Part B of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-
14 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6361 et seq.) is amended
15 by adding at the end the following:

16 **“SEC. 1213. RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.**

17 “(a) RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDED AS
18 PARTNERSHIP PARTICIPANTS.—In carrying out this part,
19 the Secretary, and any grantee or subgrantee receiving as-
20 sistance under this part, shall treat religious organizations
21 the same as other nongovernmental organizations, so long
22 as this part is implemented in a manner consistent with
23 the Establishment Clause and the Free Exercise Clause
24 of the first amendment to the Constitution. The Secretary,
25 and any grantee or subgrantee receiving assistance under

1 this part, shall not discriminate against an organization
2 that participates in a partnership that is an eligible entity
3 receiving assistance under this part, or an organization
4 that participates in a partnership that is applying to re-
5 ceive such assistance, on the basis that the organization
6 has a religious character.

7 “(b) RELIGIOUS CHARACTER AND INDEPEND-
8 ENCE.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A religious organization
10 that participates in a partnership that is an eligible
11 entity receiving assistance under this part, or that
12 participates in a partnership that is applying to re-
13 ceive such assistance, shall retain its religious char-
14 acter and control over the definition, development,
15 practice, and expression of its religious beliefs.

16 “(2) ADDITIONAL SAFEGUARDS.—Neither the
17 Federal Government nor a State or local government
18 shall require a religious organization—

19 “(A) to alter its form of internal govern-
20 ance; or

21 “(B) to remove religious art, icons, scrip-
22 ture, or other symbols,

23 in order to be eligible to participate in a partnership
24 that is an eligible entity receiving assistance under

1 this part or to participate in a partnership that is
2 applying to receive such assistance.

3 “(3) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES.—A religious or-
4 ganization’s exemption provided under section 702
5 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000e–
6 1) regarding employment practices shall not be af-
7 fected by its participation in, or receipt of funds
8 from, a program under this part.

9 “(c) LIMITATIONS ON USE OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN
10 PURPOSES.—No funds provided to a religious organiza-
11 tion under this part or section 1002(b) shall be expended
12 for sectarian worship or instruction or proselytization.

13 “(d) PROHIBITION ON SERVING AS FISCAL AGENT.—
14 A religious organization may not serve as a fiscal agent
15 for a partnership that is an eligible entity receiving a
16 subgrant under this part.

17 “(e) NONDISCRIMINATION AGAINST BENE-
18 FICIARIES.—A religious organization shall not discrimi-
19 nate against an individual, in regard to rendering services
20 under this part, on the basis of religion, a religious belief,
21 or refusal actively to participate in a religious practice.

22 “(f) FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—For pur-
23 poses of any Federal, State, or local law, receipt of finan-
24 cial assistance under this part or section 1002(b) shall
25 constitute receipt of Federal financial assistance or aid.

1 “(g) FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
3 graph (2), any religious organization providing serv-
4 ices under this part shall be subject to the same reg-
5 ulations as other entities providing services under
6 this part to account in accord with generally accept-
7 ed auditing principles.

8 “(2) LIMITED AUDIT.—If such organization
9 segregates Federal funds provided under this part
10 into a separate account or accounts, then only the
11 Federal funds used to provide services shall be sub-
12 ject to audit.

13 “(h) TREATMENT OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity may not
15 subject a participant in an Even Start program as-
16 sisted under this part, during such program, to sec-
17 tarian worship or instruction or proselytization.

18 “(2) CONSTRUCTION.—Paragraph (1) shall not
19 be construed to affect any program that is not an
20 Even Start program (regardless of whether it is car-
21 ried out before, after, or at the same time as an
22 Even Start program).

1 **“SEC. 1214. PROHIBITION ON VOUCHERS OR CERTIFICATES.**

2 “Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no
3 services under this part may be provided through voucher
4 or certificate.”.

5 **SEC. 104. EDUCATION OF MIGRATORY CHILDREN.**

6 Section 1304(b) of the Elementary and Secondary
7 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6394(b)) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the
9 end;

10 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at
11 the end and inserting “; and”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(7) a description of how the State will encour-
14 age programs and projects assisted under this part
15 to offer family literacy services if the program or
16 project serves a substantial number of migratory
17 children who have parents who do not have a high
18 school diploma or its recognized equivalent or who
19 have low levels of literacy.”.

20 **SEC. 105. DEFINITIONS.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 14101 of the Elementary
22 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8801)
23 is amended—

24 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (15) through
25 (29) as paragraphs (16) through (30), respectively;
26 and

1 (2) by inserting after paragraph (14) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(15) FAMILY LITERACY SERVICES.—The term
4 ‘family literacy services’ means services provided to
5 participants on a voluntary basis that are of suffi-
6 cient intensity in terms of hours, and of sufficient
7 duration, to make sustainable changes in a family,
8 and that integrate all of the following activities:

9 “(A) Interactive literacy activities between
10 parents and their children.

11 “(B) Training for parents regarding how
12 to be the primary teacher for their children and
13 full partners in the education of their children.

14 “(C) Parent literacy training that leads to
15 economic self-sufficiency.

16 “(D) An age-appropriate education to pre-
17 pare children for success in school and life ex-
18 periences.”.

19 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

20 (1) EVEN START FAMILY LITERACY PRO-
21 GRAMS.—Section 1202(e) of the Elementary and
22 Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
23 6362(e)) is amended—

24 (A) by striking paragraph (3); and

1 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and
2 (5) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively.

3 (2) READING AND LITERACY GRANTS.—Section
4 2252 of the Elementary and Secondary Education
5 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6661a) is amended—

6 (A) by striking paragraph (2); and

7 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (3)
8 through (5) as paragraphs (2) through (4), re-
9 spectively.

10 **SEC. 106. INDIAN EDUCATION.**

11 (a) EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.—
12 Section 1143 of the Education Amendments of 1978 (25
13 U.S.C. 2023) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (b)(1), in the matter pre-
15 ceding subparagraph (A)—

16 (A) by striking “(f)” and inserting “(g)”;
17 and

18 (B) by striking “(e))” and inserting “(f))”;
19 (2) in subsection (d)(1)—

20 (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (D)
21 and (E) as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respec-
22 tively; and

23 (B) by inserting after subparagraph (C)
24 the following:

25 “(D) family literacy services,”;

1 (3) in subsection (e), by striking “(f),” and in-
2 serting “(g),”;

3 (4) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as
4 subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and

5 (5) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(e) Family literacy programs operated under this
8 section, and other family literacy programs operated by
9 the Bureau of Indian Affairs, shall be coordinated with
10 family literacy programs for American Indian children
11 under part B of title I of the Elementary and Secondary
12 Education Act of 1965 in order to avoid duplication and
13 to encourage the dissemination of information on quality
14 family literacy programs serving American Indians.”.

15 (b) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1146 of the Education
16 Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2026) is amended—

17 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (7) through
18 (14) as paragraphs (8) through (15), respectively;
19 and

20 (2) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-
21 lowing:

22 “(7) the term ‘family literacy services’ has the
23 meaning given such term in section 14101 of the El-
24 ementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
25 U.S.C. 8801);”.

1 **TITLE II—INEXPENSIVE BOOK**
2 **DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM**

3 **SEC. 201. INEXPENSIVE BOOK DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM**
4 **FOR READING MOTIVATION.**

5 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—Section 10501(a) of the Ele-
6 mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
7 8131(a)) is amended by striking “books to students, that
8 motivate children to read.” and inserting “books to young
9 and school-aged children that motivate them to read.”.

10 (b) REQUIREMENTS OF CONTRACT.—Section
11 10501(b)(4) of the Elementary and Secondary Education
12 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8131(b)(4)) is amended by insert-
13 ing “training and” before “technical assistance”.

14 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
15 10501(e) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act
16 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8131(e)) is amended—

17 (1) by striking “\$10,300,000 for fiscal year
18 1995” and inserting “\$20,000,000 for fiscal year
19 2000”; and

20 (2) by striking “four” and inserting “five”.

21 (d) STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.—Section 10501 of the
22 Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
23 U.S.C. 8131) is amended—

24 (1) by redesignating subsections (d) and (e) as
25 subsections (g) and (h), respectively;

1 (2) by redesignating subsections (a) through (c)
2 as subsections (b) through (d), respectively; and
3 (3) by inserting after the section heading the
4 following:

5 “(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this program is to
6 establish and implement a model partnership between a
7 governmental entity and a private entity, to help prepare
8 young children for reading, and motivate older children
9 to read, through the distribution of inexpensive books.
10 Local reading motivation programs assisted under this
11 section shall use such assistance to provide books, training
12 for volunteers, motivational activities, and other essential
13 literacy resources, and shall assign the highest priority to
14 serving the youngest and neediest children in the United
15 States.”.

16 (e) NEW PROVISIONS.—Section 10501 of the Ele-
17 mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
18 8131) is amended by inserting before subsection (g) (as
19 so redesignated by subsection (d)) the following:

20 “(e) SPECIAL RULES FOR CERTAIN SUBCONTRAC-
21 TORS.—

22 “(1) FUNDS FROM OTHER FEDERAL
23 SOURCES.—Subcontractors operating programs
24 under this section in low-income communities with a
25 substantial number or percentage of children with

1 special needs, as described in subsection (c)(3), may
2 use funds from other Federal sources to pay the
3 non-Federal share of the cost of the program, if
4 those funds do not comprise more than 50 percent
5 of the non-Federal share of the funds used for the
6 cost of acquiring and distributing books.

7 “(2) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding
8 subsection (c), the contractor may waive, in whole or
9 in part, the requirement in subsection (c)(1) for a
10 subcontractor, if the subcontractor demonstrates
11 that it would otherwise not be able to participate in
12 the program, and enters into an agreement with the
13 contractor with respect to the amount of the non-
14 Federal share to which the waiver will apply. In a
15 case in which such a waiver is granted, the require-
16 ment in subsection (c)(2) shall not apply.

17 “(f) MULTI-YEAR CONTRACTS.—The contractor may
18 enter into a multi-year subcontract under this section, if—

19 “(1) the contractor believes that such sub-
20 contract will provide the subcontractor with addi-
21 tional leverage in seeking local commitments; and

22 “(2) the subcontract does not undermine the fi-
23 nances of the national program.”.

1 **SEC. 202. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2 The amendments made by section 201 shall take ef-
3 fect on October 1, 2000.

 Passed the House of Representatives September 12,
2000.

Attest:

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