H. R. 636

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 9, 1999

Mr. Cooksey 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 "Individuals with Dis-
 - 5 abilities Education Act Amendments of 1999".

1	SEC. 2. PLACEMENT IN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATIONAL SET-
2	TING UNDER THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DIS-
3	ABILITIES EDUCATION ACT.
4	Section 615(k)(1)(A)(ii) of the Individuals with Dis-
5	abilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1415(k)(1)(A)(ii)) is
6	amended—
7	(1) in matter preceding subclause (I), by strik-
8	ing ", but for not more than 45 days";
9	(2) in subclause (I), by striking "or" at the
10	end;
11	(3) in subclause (II), by striking the period at
12	the end and inserting "; or"; and
13	(4) by adding at the end the following:
14	"(III) the child intentionally ex-
15	hibits violent behavior that has re-
16	sulted in, or could have resulted in,
17	physical injury to the child or to oth-
18	ers while at school or at a school func-
19	tion under the jurisdiction of a State
20	or local agency.".
21	SEC. 3. CORRECTIVE ACTION AGAINST STATE FOR FAILURE
22	BY STATE TO COMPLY SUBSTANTIALLY WITH
23	PART B OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABIL-
24	ITIES EDUCATION ACT.
25	Section 616(c) of the Individuals with Disabilities
26	Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1416(c)) is amended—

- 1 (1) by striking "For purposes of this section"
 2 and inserting "(1) Notwithstanding subsections (a)
 3 and (b)"; and
 - (2) by striking "the Secretary, in instances" and all that follows and inserting the following: "the Secretary, in instances where the Secretary finds that the failure to comply substantially with the provisions of this part are related to a failure by the public agency during a fiscal year to provide special education and related services to individuals who are 18 years of age or older, and the Secretary decides to take corrective action to ensure compliance with this part, may take only the following such corrective action (and such corrective action may only be taken with respect to payments for that fiscal year):
 - "(A) Reduce or withhold payments to the State in an amount that is proportionate to the total funds allotted under section 611 to the State as the number of such individuals who are 18 years of age or older is proportionate to the number of eligible individuals with disabilities in the State under the supervision of the State educational agency.
 - "(B) Ensure that any withholding of funds under paragraph (1) shall be limited to the spe-

1	cific agency responsible for the failure to com-
2	ply with this part.
3	"(2) Upon reduction or withholding of pay-
4	ments to a State for a fiscal year under paragraph
5	(1)—
6	"(A) with respect to children with disabil-
7	ities who are convicted as adults under State
8	law and incarcerated in adult prisons, the State
9	shall be deemed to be in compliance with this
10	part for that fiscal year; and
11	"(B) no additional corrective action may
12	be taken against the State with respect to the
13	failure by the public agency described in para-
14	graph (1).
15	"(3) For purposes of paragraph (1)(A), the
16	number of eligible children with disabilities in adult
17	prisons under the supervision of the other public
18	agency and the number of eligible individuals with
19	disabilities in the State under the supervision of the
20	State educational agency shall be determined by the
21	Secretary on the basis of the most recent satisfac-
22	tory data available to the Secretary.".