

106TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 164

To improve mathematics and science instruction.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 19, 1999

Mr. MOYNIHAN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## 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. GRANTS TO IMPROVE MATHEMATICS AND**  
4 **SCIENCE INSTRUCTION.**

5 (a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of Edu-  
6 cation is authorized to award a grant to the Governor or  
7 State educational agency of a State if the Secretary deter-  
8 mines that the average score of 8th grade students in the  
9 State on the 1999 retake of the Third International Math-  
10 ematics and Science Study (TIMSS) is or would be lower  
11 than the median of the scores of the countries participat-

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1 ing in the 1999 retake of the Third International Mathe-  
 2 matics and Science Study.

3 (b) AMOUNT.—The Secretary of Education shall  
 4 award a grant under this section in an amount not less  
 5 than \$500,000 and not more than \$1,000,000.

6 (c) COMPARISON.—The Secretary of Education shall  
 7 use the results of the most recent National Assessment  
 8 of Educational Progress for comparisons between States  
 9 and countries with respect to the 1999 retake of the Third  
 10 International Mathematics and Science Study.

11 (d) COMPETITIVE BASIS.—The Secretary shall award  
 12 grants under this section on a competitive basis.

13 (e) USES.—Each Governor or State educational  
 14 agency receiving a grant under this section shall use the  
 15 grant funds to improve mathematics and science instruc-  
 16 tion in the State.

17 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
 18 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be  
 19 necessary to carry out this section for each of the fiscal  
 20 years 2000 through 2003.

21 **SEC. 2. SHORT TITLE.**

22 This Act may be cited as the “Math and Science  
 23 Learning Improvement Act of 1999”.

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