

107TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 4124

To amend title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to apply to that title
a burden shifting rule currently applicable to title VII.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 9, 2002

Ms. WATERS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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to title VII.

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 “Equity in Education
5 Act of 2002”.

6 **SEC. 2. TITLE VI AMENDMENT.**

7 Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C.
8 2000d) is amended by adding at the end the following:

9 “SEC. 607. In any action or proceeding to enforce
10 section 601, if the party claiming discrimination dem-

1 onstrates that a practice has a disproportionately negative
2 effect on the extent or nature of the participation by mem-
3 bers of a protected class in the program or activity, the
4 burden of persuasion shifts to the party denying discrimi-
5 nation to show that the practice is reasonably necessary
6 and appropriate to the purpose of the program or activ-
7 ity.”.

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