

107TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 659

To authorize appropriations for part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to achieve full funding for part B of that Act by 2006.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2001

Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon (for herself and Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut) 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. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds the following:

5 (1) All children deserve a quality education, in-
6 cluding children with disabilities.

7 (2) The Individuals with Disabilities Education
8 Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) provides that the Fed-
9 eral Government and State and local governments

1 are to share in the expense of educating children
2 with disabilities and commits the Federal Govern-
3 ment to provide funds to assist with the excess ex-
4 penses of educating children with disabilities.

5 (3) While Congress committed to contribute up
6 to 40 percent of the average per pupil expenditure
7 of educating children with disabilities, the Federal
8 Government has failed to meet this commitment to
9 assist States and localities.

10 (4) To date, the Federal Government has never
11 contributed more than 14.9 percent of the national
12 average per pupil expenditure to assist with the ex-
13 cess expenses of educating children with disabilities
14 under the Individuals with Disabilities Education
15 Act.

16 (5) Failing to meet the Federal Government's
17 commitment to assist with the excess expense of
18 educating a child with a disability contradicts the
19 goal of ensuring that children with disabilities re-
20 ceive a quality education.

21 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR PART B**
22 **OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES**
23 **EDUCATION ACT.**

24 Section 611(j) of the Individuals with Disabilities
25 Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1412(j)), is amended by strik-

1 ing “there are authorized to be appropriated such sums
2 as may be necessary” and inserting “there are authorized
3 to be appropriated the following amounts for the following
4 fiscal years:

5 “(1) \$9,300,000,000 for fiscal year 2002.

6 “(2) \$12,300,000,000 for fiscal year 2003.

7 “(3) \$15,300,000,000 for fiscal year 2004.

8 “(4) \$18,300,000,000 for fiscal year 2005.

9 “(5) The amount that is equal to the sum of
10 the maximum amount of the grant that each State
11 may receive under this section, as determined under
12 subsection (a)(2), for fiscal year 2006 and for each
13 subsequent fiscal year”.

