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To amend subpart 2 of part J of title X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to make improvements to the rural education achievement program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2001

Mr. OSBORNE (for himself, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. PHELPS, Mr. PETRI, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mrs. EMERSON, and Mr. THUNE) 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 “Rural Education Ini-
5 tiative Amendments Act of 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. RURAL EDUCATION INITIATIVE.**

7 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
8 10973 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act

1 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8292) is amended by striking
2 “62,5000,000 for fiscal year 2001” and inserting
3 “\$150,000,000 for fiscal year 2002 and such sums as may
4 be necessary for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal years”.

5 (b) FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM.—Section 10974 of
6 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
7 U.S.C. 8293) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “to carry
9 out local activities authorized in part A of title I,
10 section 2210(b), section 3134, or section 4116” and
11 inserting “to support local or statewide education re-
12 form efforts intended to improve the academic
13 achievement of elementary and secondary school stu-
14 dents and the quality of instruction provided to such
15 students”.

16 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “, except
17 that the Secretary may waive the School Locale
18 Code requirement of this paragraph if the Secretary
19 determines, based on certification provided by the
20 local educational agency or the State educational
21 agency on behalf of the local educational agency,
22 that the local educational agency is located in an
23 area defined as rural by a governmental agency of
24 the State” before the period at the end; and

1 (3) in subsection (c), by striking “and VI, ex-
2 cept for funds made available under section 321 of
3 the Department of Education Appropriations Act,
4 2001” and inserting “VI, section 307 of the Depart-
5 ment of Education Appropriations Act, 1999, parts
6 A and C of title VII, and part A of this title”.

7 (c) COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM.—Section 10975
8 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965
9 (20 U.S.C. 8294) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “to carry out
11 local activities authorized in part A of title I, section
12 2210(b), section 3134, or section 4116” and insert-
13 ing “to support local or statewide education reform
14 efforts intended to improve the academic achieve-
15 ment of elementary and secondary school students
16 and the quality of instruction provided to such stu-
17 dents”.

18 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “, except
19 that the Secretary may waive the School Locale
20 Code requirement of this paragraph if the Secretary
21 determines, based on certification provided by the
22 local educational agency or the State educational
23 agency on behalf of the local educational agency,
24 that the local educational agency is located in an

- 1 area defined as rural by a governmental agency of
- 2 the State'' before the period at the end.

