

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4359

To amend section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 regarding challenging academic content standards for physical education.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 17, 2005

Mr. WAMP 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 Congress makes the following findings:

5 (1) Obesity-related diseases cost the United
6 States economy more than \$100,000,000,000 every
7 year.

8 (2) Almost half of young people aged 12
9 through 21, and more than a third of high school

1 students, do not participate in vigorous physical ac-
2 tivity on a regular basis.

3 **SEC. 2. PHYSICAL EDUCATION.**

4 Section 1111(b) of the Elementary and Secondary
5 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311(b)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1)(C)—

7 (A) by striking “arts, and” and inserting
8 “arts,”; and

9 (B) by striking “science,” and inserting
10 “science, and (beginning in the 2006–2007
11 school year) physical education,”; and

12 (2) in paragraph (3)—

13 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

14 (i) by striking “and science” and in-
15 serting “science, and physical education”;
16 and

17 (ii) by inserting before the period
18 “and no State shall be required to meet
19 the requirements of this part relating to
20 physical education assessments until the
21 beginning of the 2008–2009 school year”;
22 and

23 (B) in subparagraph (C)(v)—

24 (i) in subclause (II)(cc), by inserting
25 “and” after the semicolon; and

1 (ii) by adding at the end the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(III) beginning not later than school
4 year 2008–2009, measure the proficiency
5 of all students in physical education and be
6 administered not less than 1 time during—

7 “(aa) grades 3 through 5;

8 “(bb) grades 6 through 9; and

9 “(cc) grades 10 through 12;”.

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