

109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4649

To authorize the Secretary of Education to provide assistance to local educational agencies serving homeless children and youths displaced by Hurricane Katrina, Rita, or Wilma.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 22, 2005

Mrs. BIGGERT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## A BILL

To authorize the Secretary of Education to provide assistance to local educational agencies serving homeless children and youths displaced by Hurricane Katrina, Rita, or Wilma.

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 “Hope for Homeless  
5       Kids Act of 2005”.

6       **SEC. 2. ASSISTANCE FOR HOMELESS YOUTH.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Education shall  
8       provide assistance to local educational agencies serving

1 homeless children and youths displaced by Hurricane  
2 Katrina, Rita, or Wilma, consistent with section 723 of  
3 the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.  
4 11433), including identification, enrollment assistance, as-  
5 sessment and school placement assistance, transportation,  
6 coordination of school services, supplies, referrals for  
7 health, mental health, and other needs.

8 (b) EXCEPTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—

9 (1) EXCEPTION.—For purposes of providing as-  
10 sistance under subsection (a), subsections (c) and  
11 (e)(1) of section 722 and subsections (b) and (c) of  
12 section 723 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assist-  
13 ance Act (42 U.S.C. 11432(c) and (e)(1), 11433(b)  
14 and (c)) shall not apply.

15 (2) DISBURSEMENT.—The Secretary of Edu-  
16 cation shall disburse funding provided under sub-  
17 section (a) to State educational agencies based on  
18 demonstrated need, as determined by the Secretary,  
19 and such State educational agencies shall distribute  
20 funds available under subsection (c) to local edu-  
21 cational agencies based on demonstrated need, for  
22 the purposes of carrying out section 723 of the  
23 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42  
24 U.S.C. 11433).

1       (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
2 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section  
3 \$50,000,000.

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