

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1125

To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to provide for the treatment of institutions of higher education as voter registration agencies.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 21, 2009

Mr. DURBIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration

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 “Student Voter Oppor-
5 tunity To Encourage Registration Act of 2009” or the
6 “Student VOTER Act of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF UNIVERSITIES AS VOTER REG-**
2 **ISTRATION AGENCIES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7(a) of the National Voter
4 Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 1973gg–5(a)) is
5 amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (2)—

7 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-
8 paragraph (A);

9 (B) by striking the period at the end of
10 subparagraph (B) and inserting “; and”; and

11 (C) by adding at the end the following new
12 subparagraph:

13 “(C) each institution of higher education
14 (as defined in section 101 of the Higher Edu-
15 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)) in the
16 State that receives Federal funds.”; and

17 (2) in paragraph (6)(A), by inserting “or, in
18 the case of an institution of higher education, with
19 each registration of a student for enrollment in a
20 course of study” after “assistance,”.

21 (b) AMENDMENT TO HIGHER EDUCATION ACT OF
22 1965.—Section 487(a) of the Higher Education Act of
23 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1094(a)) is amended by striking para-
24 graph (23).

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