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H. R. 4207

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to allow the Secretary of Education to award job training Federal Pell Grants.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RICHMOND 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 “Jumpstart Our Busi-
5 nesses by Supporting Students Act of 2014” or the
6 “JOBS Act of 2014”.

7 **SEC. 2. JOB TRAINING FEDERAL PELL GRANTS.**

8 Section 401 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
9 U.S.C. 1070a) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing:

1 “(k) JOB TRAINING FEDERAL PELL GRANT PRO-
2 GRAM.—

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For the award years begin-
4 ning on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2020,
5 the Secretary shall carry out a program through
6 which the Secretary awards job training Federal Pell
7 Grants to students in job training programs. Each
8 job training Federal Pell Grant awarded under this
9 subsection shall have the same terms and conditions,
10 and be awarded in the same manner, as a Federal
11 Pell Grant awarded under subsection (a), except as
12 follows:

13 “(A) A student who is eligible to receive a
14 job training Federal Pell Grant under this sub-
15 section is a student who—

16 “(i) has not yet attained a bacca-
17 laureate degree or postbaccalaureate de-
18 gree;

19 “(ii) attends an eligible institution of
20 higher education;

21 “(iii) is enrolled in, or accepted for
22 enrollment in, a job training program at
23 such institution of higher education that
24 does not lead to a baccalaureate degree;
25 and

1 “(iv) meets all other eligibility re-
2 quirements for a Federal Pell Grant (ex-
3 cept with respect to the type of program of
4 study, as provided in clause (iii)).

5 “(B) The amount of a job training Federal
6 Pell Grant for an eligible student shall be deter-
7 mined under subsection (b)(2)(A), except
8 that—

9 “(i) the maximum Federal Pell Grant
10 for purposes of an award under this sub-
11 section shall be \$2,430;

12 “(ii) no increase shall be calculated
13 under subsection (b)(7)(B) for a student
14 receiving a job training Federal Pell Grant
15 under this subsection; and

16 “(iii) the requirement of subsection
17 (b)(4) prohibiting Federal Pell Grants of
18 less than a certain amount shall not apply.

19 “(2) INCLUSION IN TOTAL ELIGIBILITY PE-
20 RIOD.—Any period during which a student receives
21 a job training Federal Pell Grant under this sub-
22 section shall be included in calculating the student’s
23 period of eligibility for Federal Pell Grants under
24 subsection (c), and any regulations under such sub-
25 section regarding students who are enrolled in an

1 undergraduate program on less than a full-time
2 basis shall similarly apply to students who are en-
3 rolled in a job training program at an eligible insti-
4 tution on less than a full-time basis.

5 “(3) DEFINITION OF JOB TRAINING PRO-
6 GRAM.—In this subsection, the term ‘job training
7 program’ means a career and technical education
8 program at an institution of higher education that—

9 “(A) provides not less than 150 clock
10 hours of instructional time over a period of not
11 less than 8 weeks;

12 “(B) provides training needed to meet the
13 needs of the local or regional workforce;

14 “(C) provides a student, upon completion
15 of the program, with a recognized educational
16 credential that is recognized by the relevant in-
17 dustry and meets the requirements of subpara-
18 graph (D);

19 “(D) has been determined, by the institu-
20 tion of higher education, to provide academic
21 content, an amount of instructional time, and a
22 recognized educational credential that are suffi-
23 cient to—

24 “(i) meet the hiring requirements of
25 multiple potential employers; and

1 “(ii) allow the students to apply for
2 any licenses or certifications that may be
3 required to be employed in the field for
4 which the job training is offered; and
5 “(E) may include integrated or basic skills
6 courses.”.

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