

#### 117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# H. R. 6619

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 7, 2022

Mrs. Hinson introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

## 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 "Unmask Our Kids
- 5 Act".

#### 1 SEC. 2. PROHIBITIONS.

- 2 (a) In General.—No funds shall be made available
- 3 under any applicable program to a local educational agen-
- 4 cy unless—
- 5 (1) in-person instruction is available to all stu-
- 6 dents at each public elementary school and sec-
- 7 ondary school under the jurisdiction of such agency;
- 8 and
- 9 (2) a parent of a student at any such school
- may elect to opt out of any requirement that the
- student wear a face covering.
- 12 (b) Definitions.—In this section:
- 13 (1) APPLICABLE PROGRAM.—The term "appli-
- cable program" has the meaning given the term in
- section 400(c) of the General Education Provisions
- 16 Act (20 U.S.C. 1221(c)).
- 17 (2) ESEA TERMS.—The terms "elementary
- school", "local educational agency", "parent", and
- 19 "secondary school" have the meanings given such
- terms in section 8101 of the Elementary and Sec-
- 21 ondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).