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H. R. 8112

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to treat all institutions of higher education equally for purposes of determining the Federal share under the Federal work-study programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KELLER 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 “Federal Work-Study
5 Improvement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAMS.**

7 (a) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS; WORK-**
8 **BASED LEARNING DEFINED.**—Section 441 of part C of

1 title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
2 1087–51) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “community
4 service activities” and inserting “work-based learn-
5 ing”; and

6 (2) by striking subsections (b) and (c) and in-
7 serting the following:

8 “(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
9 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part,
10 \$1,520,000 for fiscal year 2023 and each of the 5 suc-
11 ceeding fiscal years.

12 “(c) WORK-BASED LEARNING DEFINED.—For pur-
13 poses of this part, the term ‘work-based learning’ means
14 paid interactions with industry or community profes-
15 sionals in real workplace settings that foster in-depth,
16 first-hand engagement with the tasks required of a given
17 career field, that are aligned to a student’s field of study.

18 “(d) SECRETARIAL REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary
19 may not award funds under this part based on whether
20 an institution of higher education meets the definition of
21 section 101 or 102(a)(1)(A).”.

22 (b) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Section 442(d)(1) of
23 part C of title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965
24 (20 U.S.C. 1087–52(d)(1)) is amended by striking “com-
25 munity service” and inserting “work-based learning”.

1 (c) GRANTS FOR FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PRO-
2 GRAM.—Section 443 of part C of title IV of the Higher
3 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087–53) is amend-
4 ed—

5 (1) in subsection (b)—

6 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “commu-
7 nity service” and inserting “work-based learn-
8 ing”;

9 (B) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
10 ing the following:

11 “(2) provide that funds granted an institution
12 of higher education, pursuant to this section, may be
13 used only to make payments to students partici-
14 pating in work-study programs, except that an insti-
15 tution may use a portion of the sums granted to it
16 to meet administrative expenses in accordance with
17 section 489 of this Act, may use a portion of the
18 sums granted to it to meet the cost of a job location
19 and development program in accordance with section
20 446 of this part, and may transfer funds in accord-
21 ance with the provisions of section 488 of this Act;”;

22 (C) by amending paragraph (5) to read as
23 follows:

24 “(5) provide that the Federal share of the com-
25 pensation of students employed in the work-study

1 program in accordance with the agreement shall not
2 exceed—

3 “(A) 75 percent for the first fiscal year
4 after the date of the enactment of the Federal
5 Work-Study Improvement Act;

6 “(B) 65 percent for the second fiscal year
7 after such date;

8 “(C) 60 percent for the third fiscal year
9 after such date;

10 “(D) 55 percent for the fourth fiscal year
11 after such date; and

12 “(E) 50 percent each succeeding fiscal
13 year,

14 except that the Federal share may exceed 50 percent
15 if the Secretary determines, pursuant to regulations
16 promulgated by the Secretary establishing objective
17 criteria for such determinations, that a Federal
18 share in excess of such amounts is required in fur-
19 therance of the purpose of this part;”;

20 (D) by striking paragraph (8)(B) and in-
21 serting the following:

22 “(B) in work-based learning;”;

23 (2) in subsection (c)—

24 (A) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3);

25 and

1 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and
2 (5) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively;
3 (3) by striking subsection (d)(3); and
4 (4) by striking subsection (e)(3).

5 (d) JOB LOCATION AND DEVELOPMENT PRO-
6 GRAMS.—Section 446 of part C of title IV of the Higher
7 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087–56) is amend-
8 ed—

9 (1) in subsection (a)(1)—

10 (A) by striking “10 percent or \$75,000”
11 and inserting “20 percent or \$150,000”; and

12 (B) by striking “community service jobs”
13 and inserting “career and technical job place-
14 ment”; and

15 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “80” and
16 inserting “50”.

17 (e) ADDITIONAL FUNDS; WORK COLLEGES.—Sec-
18 tions 447 and 448 of part C of title IV of the Higher
19 Education Act of 1965 is amended (20 U.S.C. 1087–57,
20 1087–58), by striking “community service” each place it
21 appears and inserting “work-based learning”.

1 **SEC. 3. FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPOR-**
2 **TUNITY GRANTS.**

3 (a) REPEAL.—Subpart 3 of part A of title IV of the
4 Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070b et seq.)
5 is repealed.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The repeal made by sub-
7 section (a) shall take effect on June 30, 2022.

8 (c) APPROPRIATIONS.—Notwithstanding subsections
9 (a) and (b), sums appropriated under section 413A for
10 fiscal year 2022 shall be available for payments to institu-
11 tions of higher education under such section (as in effect
12 on June 29, 2022) through the end of fiscal year 2023.

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