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117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To prohibit the withholding of Federal education funds on the basis of vaccination requirements, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. GOODEN of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To prohibit the withholding of Federal education funds on the basis of vaccination requirements, and for other purposes.

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. PROHIBITION ON WITHHOLDING FEDERAL**
4 **EDUCATION ON THE BASIS OF VACCINATION**
5 **REQUIREMENTS.**

6 (a) PROHIBITION.—No Federal education funds may
7 be withheld from an otherwise eligible recipient because
8 such recipient does not require students or employees to
9 be vaccinated against COVID–19.

1 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) The term “eligible recipient” means—

3 (A) a State;

4 (B) a State educational agency;

5 (C) a local educational agency;

6 (D) an elementary school or secondary
7 school;

8 (E) an institution of higher education; or

9 (F) any other individual or entity that is
10 eligible to receive Federal education funds.

11 (2) The term “Federal education funds” means
12 any funds made available—

13 (A) under the Elementary and Secondary
14 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et
15 seq.);

16 (B) under the Higher Education Act of
17 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.); or

18 (C) for purposes relating to education
19 under any other provision of Federal law.

20 (3) The term “institution of higher education”
21 has the meaning given that term in section 102 of
22 the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
23 1002).

24 (4) The terms “elementary school”, “local edu-
25 cational agency”, “secondary school”, “State”, and

1 “State educational agency” have the meanings given
2 those terms in section 8101 of the Elementary and
3 Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).