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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To prohibit funds made available to the Department of Education by previous Appropriations Acts from being used for any activity relating to implementing a reorganization of the Department, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. HAYES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Department of Edu-
5 cation Protection Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Congress has a fundamental role in shaping
2 and reshaping the Federal agency landscape, includ-
3 ing by—

4 (A) providing oversight;

5 (B) creating, structuring, and locating of-
6 fices;

7 (C) delegating specific or general missions,
8 powers, duties, and functions to offices and offi-
9 cers;

10 (D) defining the parameters of personnel
11 systems;

12 (E) confirming the leadership of an agen-
13 cy;

14 (F) providing funding; and

15 (G) evaluating whether or not an agency
16 shall continue in existence.

17 (2) The current organization of the Department
18 of Education is designed to promote student achieve-
19 ment and equal access to education, including
20 through the following offices and institutes of the
21 Department:

22 (A) Federal Student Aid.

23 (B) The Institute of Education Sciences.

24 (C) The Office of the Chief Information
25 Officer.

1 (D) The Office of Communications and
2 Outreach.

3 (E) The Office for Civil Rights.

4 (F) The Office of Career, Technical, and
5 Adult Education.

6 (G) The Office of the Deputy Secretary.

7 (H) The Office of English Language Ac-
8 quisition.

9 (I) The Office of Elementary and Sec-
10 ondary Education.

11 (J) The Office of Finance and Operations.

12 (K) The Office of the General Counsel.

13 (L) The Office of Inspector General.

14 (M) The Office of Legislation and Con-
15 gressional Affairs.

16 (N) The Office of Postsecondary Edu-
17 cation.

18 (O) The Office of Planning, Evaluation
19 and Policy Development.

20 (P) The Office of the Secretary.

21 (Q) The Office of Special Education and
22 Rehabilitative Services.

23 (R) The Office of the Under Secretary.

1 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITING USE OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS TO**
2 **REORGANIZE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.**

3 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of
4 the funds made available by previous Appropriations Acts
5 to the Department of Education for obligation or expendi-
6 ture in the current fiscal year may be used for any activity
7 relating to implementing a reorganization of the Depart-
8 ment that decentralizes, reduces the staffing level of, or
9 alters the responsibilities, structure, authority, or
10 functionality of the Department, relative to the organiza-
11 tion and operation of the Department on January 1, 2025.