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116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to restore Federal Pell Grant eligibility for certain periods.

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 “Pell Grant Restoration
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. RESTORING FEDERAL PELL GRANT ELIGIBILITY**

7 **FOR BORROWER DEFENSE.**

8 Section 401(c)(5) of the Higher Education Act of
9 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(c)(5)) is amended—

1 (1) by striking “(5) The period” and inserting
2 the following:

3 “(5) MAXIMUM PERIOD.—

4 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
5 subparagraph (B), the period”; and

6 (2) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(B) EXCEPTION.—

8 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Any Federal Pell
9 Grant that a student received during a pe-
10 riod described in subclause (I) or (II) of
11 clause (ii) shall not count towards the stu-
12 dent’s duration limits under this para-
13 graph.

14 “(ii) APPLICABLE PERIODS.—Clause
15 (i) shall apply with respect to any Federal
16 Pell Grant awarded to a student to attend
17 an institution—

18 “(I) during a period—

19 “(aa) for which the student
20 received a loan under this title;
21 and

22 “(bb) for which the loan de-
23 scribed in item (aa) is forgiven
24 under—

1 “(AA) section 437(e)(1)
2 or 464(g)(1) due to the clos-
3 ing of the institution;

4 “(BB) section 455(h)
5 due to the student’s success-
6 ful assertion of a defense to
7 repayment of the loan; or

8 “(CC) section
9 432(a)(6), section 685.215
10 of title 34, Code of Federal
11 Regulations (or a successor
12 regulation), or any other
13 loan forgiveness provision or
14 regulation under this Act, as
15 a result of a determination
16 by the Secretary or a court
17 that the institution com-
18 mitted fraud or other mis-
19 conduct; or

20 “(II) during a period for which
21 the student did not receive a loan
22 under this title but for which, if the
23 student had received such a loan, the
24 student would have qualified for loan
25 forgiveness under subclause (I)(bb).”.