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117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To address food and housing insecurity on college campuses.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

A BILL

To address food and housing insecurity on college campuses.

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 “Closing the College
5 Hunger Gap Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. QUESTIONS ON FOOD AND HOUSING INSECURITY IN**
2 **NATIONAL POSTSECONDARY STUDENT AID**
3 **STUDY.**

4 The Secretary of Education shall add questions that
5 measure rates of food and housing insecurity to the Na-
6 tional Postsecondary Student Aid Study.

7 **SEC. 3. INFORMATION ON SNAP ELIGIBILITY.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 483 of the Higher Edu-
9 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1090) is amended by add-
10 ing at the end the following:

11 “(i) INFORMATION ON SNAP ELIGIBILITY.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For each year for which a
13 student described in paragraph (2) submits a form
14 described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall send
15 to such student information regarding potential eli-
16 gibility for assistance under, and application process
17 for, the supplemental nutrition assistance program
18 established under the Food and Nutrition Act of
19 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) in written and elec-
20 tronic form. Both the written and electronic commu-
21 nication shall include contact information for the
22 State agency responsible for administering the sup-
23 plemental nutrition assistance program in the State
24 in which the student resides.

1 “(2) STUDENTS.—A student is described in this
2 paragraph if the student has an expected family con-
3 tribution equal to zero for the year.”.

4 (b) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of Education
5 shall consult with the Secretary of Agriculture, and the
6 head of any other applicable Federal or State agency, in
7 designing the written and electronic communication re-
8 garding potential eligibility for assistance under, and ap-
9 plication process for, the supplemental nutrition assistance
10 program established under the Food and Nutrition Act of
11 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.) as described in section
12 483(i) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
13 1090(i)).

14 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

15 This Act and the amendment made by this Act shall
16 take effect 120 days after the date of enactment of this
17 Act.