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H. R. 5337

To establish a National social emotional learning clearinghouse.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

Mr. LARSEN of Washington (for himself, Mr. CÁRDENAS, and Mr. BOWMAN)
introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on
Education and Labor

A BILL

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clearinghouse.

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 “National Social Emo-
5 tional Learning Clearinghouse Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING CLEAR-**
7 **INGHOUSE.**

8 Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment
9 of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services

1 (acting through the Office of Child Care) and the Sec-
2 retary of Education shall jointly—

3 (1) establish and maintain an online clearing-
4 house of early childhood education and elementary
5 school education curricula, lesson plans, and best
6 practices, which shall—

7 (A) prioritize social emotional learning re-
8 sources (such as resources to address trauma,
9 anxiety, depression and other social or behav-
10 ioral disorders) for children from birth through
11 the elementary school;

12 (B) include best practices and studies ex-
13 ploring best practices, crisis intervention train-
14 ing and de-escalation, social emotional learning
15 curriculums and lesson plans, and ready to use
16 worksheets or interactive learning resources for
17 early childhood learners and elementary school
18 students; and

19 (C) include social emotional resources for
20 children with disabilities, including training re-
21 sources to assist families and child care workers
22 in assessing functional behaviors and creating
23 responsive and appropriate behavioral interven-
24 tion plans; and

1 (2) conduct a national advertising campaign to
2 inform child care professionals, families or parents
3 providing homeschooling, and educators and care-
4 givers of children from birth through age 12 of such
5 online clearinghouse.

6 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) CHILD WITH A DISABILITY.—The term
9 “child with a disability” has the meaning given such
10 term in section 602 of the Individuals with Disabil-
11 ities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1401).

12 (2) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.—The term “elemen-
13 tary school” has the meaning given the term in sec-
14 tion 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-
15 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

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