

117TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 6262

To ban the teaching of critical race theory in public education, and for  
other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 14, 2021

Mr. CARTER of Georgia (for himself, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. GOHMERT, and Mr. BABIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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## A BILL

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education, 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “For the Parents Act”.

5       **SEC. 2. GUIDANCE AND REPORT BY THE SECRETARY OF**  
6               **EDUCATION.**

7       (a) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 60 days after the  
8       date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Education  
9       shall issue guidance to States and institutions of higher  
10      education on—

1           (1) banning, in public education, the teaching  
2           of critical race theory, and the usage of any teaching  
3           methodology or curriculum that promotes or causes  
4           a racial divide or lack of equality; and

5           (2) requiring that all races be treated equally.

6           (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
7           of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Education shall  
8           submit to the Committee on Education and Labor of the  
9           House of Representatives and the Committee on Health,  
10          Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate a report  
11          on the status of critical race theory usage in public edu-  
12          cation and any instances where racial divides are promoted  
13          through any training or education requirements, includ-  
14          ing—

15                (1) an identification of the public elementary  
16                schools or secondary schools, or institutions of high-  
17                er education that have used or promoted critical race  
18                theory or racial divides; and

19                (2) an identification of whether any teacher or  
20                faculty members have been punished for speaking  
21                out against these activities.

22          (c) CRITICAL RACE THEORY DEFINED.—In this sec-  
23          tion, the term “critical race theory” means a theory that  
24          provides for any of the following:

1           (1) Any race is inherently superior or inferior  
2           to any other race.

3           (2) The United States is a fundamentally racist  
4           country.

5           (3) The Declaration of Independence or the  
6           United States Constitution are fundamentally racist  
7           documents.

8           (4) An individual's moral worth is determined  
9           by his or her race.

10          (5) An individual, by virtue of his or her race,  
11          is inherently racist or oppressive, whether con-  
12          sciously or unconsciously.

13          (6) An individual, because of his or her race,  
14          bears responsibility for the actions committed by  
15          members of his or her race.

16 **SEC. 3. ENFORCEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS FOR INSTITU-**  
17 **TIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

18          Section 487(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965  
19          (20 U.S.C. 1094(a)) is amended by adding at the end the  
20          following:

21               “(30) The institution will comply with the guid-  
22          ance issued by the Secretary under section 2(a) of  
23          the Equality in Education Act.”.

1 **SEC. 4. ENFORCEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC**  
2 **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND SECONDARY**  
3 **SCHOOLS.**

4 Subpart 2 of part F of title VIII of the Elementary  
5 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7901  
6 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

7 **“SEC. 8549D. ENFORCEMENT OF GUIDANCE ON EQUALITY**  
8 **IN EDUCATION.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Each State receiving funds  
10 under this Act shall ensure that each public elementary  
11 school and secondary school in the State is in compliance  
12 with the guidance issued by the Secretary under section  
13 2(a) of the Equality in Education Act.

14 “(b) CERTIFICATION.—As a condition of receiving  
15 funds under this Act, a State shall certify in writing to  
16 the Secretary that the State is in compliance with this sec-  
17 tion.”.

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