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H. R. 4861

To require that commanders of military installations verify the reporting of eligible federally connected children for purposes of Federal impact aid programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WITTMAN (for himself and Mr. HUDSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Counting Overlooked
5 Base Impact Aid Act” or the “COBIA Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. VERIFICATION OF REPORTING OF ELIGIBLE FEDER-**
2 **ALLY CONNECTED CHILDREN FOR PURPOSES**
3 **OF FEDERAL IMPACT AID PROGRAMS.**

4 (a) CERTIFICATION.—On an annual basis, each com-
5 mander of a military installation under the jurisdiction of
6 the Secretary of a military department shall submit to
7 such Secretary a written certification verifying whether
8 the commander has confirmed the information contained
9 in all impact aid source check forms received from local
10 educational agencies as of the date of such certification.

11 (b) REPORT.—Not later June 30 of each year, each
12 Secretary of a military department shall submit to the
13 congressional defense committees a report, based on the
14 information received under subsection (a), that identi-
15 fies—

16 (1) each military installation under the jurisdic-
17 tion of such Secretary that has confirmed the infor-
18 mation contained in all impact aid source check
19 forms received from local educational agencies as of
20 the date of the report; and

21 (2) each military installation that has not con-
22 firmed the information contained in such forms as of
23 such date.

24 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

1 (1) Term “congressional defense committees”
2 has the meaning given that term in section
3 101(a)(16) of title 10, United States Code.

4 (2) The term “impact aid source check form”
5 means a form submitted to a military installation by
6 a local educational agency to confirm the number
7 and identity of children eligible to be counted for
8 purposes of the Federal impact aid program under
9 section 7003(a) of the Elementary and Secondary
10 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7703(a)).

11 (3) The term “local educational agency” has
12 the meaning given that term in section 8101 of the
13 Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965
14 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

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