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H. R. 5685

To require institutions of higher education to designate at least one employee to coordinate compliance with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 22, 2021

Mr. AGUILAR (for himself, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Ms. PRESSLEY, Ms. CLARKE of New York, and Mr. CARSON) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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 “Protecting Students’
5 Civil Rights Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMPLIANCE WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964.**

2 Section 487(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965
3 (20 U.S.C. 1094(a)) is amended by adding at the end the
4 following:

5 “(30) The institution will—

6 “(A) designate at least one employee to co-
7 ordinate compliance with title VI of the Civil
8 Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.),
9 including any investigation of any complaint al-
10 leging—

11 “(i) noncompliance with such title;
12 and

13 “(ii) any actions prohibited by such
14 title;

15 “(B) annually submit a report to the Sec-
16 retary that includes all complaints described in
17 subparagraph (A) with respect to such institu-
18 tion;

19 “(C) make the report under subparagraph
20 (B) publicly available on the internet website of
21 the institution; and

22 “(D) notify students and employees of—

23 “(i) the name, office address, and
24 telephone number of each employee des-
25 ignated under subparagraph (A);

1 “(ii) the report under subparagraph
2 (B);

3 “(iii) the enforcement policies of the
4 institution with respect to such title; and

5 “(iv) the procedure for reporting and
6 investigating complaints under such title.”.

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