S. 2140

To limit the use of the exclusionary rule in school disciplinary proceedings.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 27, 1996

Mr. Dorgan (for himself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Exon, and Mr. D'Amato) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 "Safer Schools Act of
- 5 1996".
- 6 SEC 2. SAFER SCHOOLS.
- 7 (a) In General.—Section 14601(b)(1) of the Gun-
- 8 Free Schools Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 8921(b)(1)) is
- 9 amended—

1	(1) by striking "under this Act shall have" and
2	inserting the following: "under this Act—
3	"(A) shall have";
4	(2) by striking the period at the end and insert-
5	ing "; and"; and
6	(3) by adding at the end the following:
7	"(B) beginning not later than 2 years after
8	the date of enactment of the Safer Schools Act
9	of 1996, shall have in effect a State law or reg-
10	ulation providing that evidence that a student
11	brought a weapon to a school under the juris-
12	diction of the local educational agencies in that
13	State, that is obtained as a result of a search
14	or seizure conducted on school premises, shall
15	not be excluded in any school disciplinary pro-
16	ceeding on the ground that the search or sei-
17	zure was in violation of the fourth amendment
18	to the Constitution of the United States.".
19	(b) Report to State.—Section 14601(d) of the
20	Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 8921(d)) is
21	amended—
22	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "the State law
23	required by" and inserting "each State law or regu-
24	lation"; and

- 1 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking "subsection
- 2 (b)" and inserting "subsection (b)(1)(A)".
- 3 (c) Report to Congress.—Section 14601(f) of the
- 4 Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 8921(f)) is
- 5 amended by inserting "of subsection (b)(1)(A)" before "of

6 this".

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