H. R. 1094

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 5, 2003

Ms. Hooley of Oregon (for herself, Mrs. Johnson of Connecticut, Mr. Gutierrez, Mrs. Maloney, Mr. Hill, Mr. Defazio, Mr. Terry, Mrs. Tauscher, Ms. Carson of Indiana, Mr. Waxman, Mr. Blumenauer, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Mr. Reyes, Mrs. Christensen, Mr. Carson of Oklahoma, Mr. Filner, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Shays, Ms. Harman, Mr. Honda, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Sandlin, Mr. Baca, Ms. Lee, Mr. Hinchey, Mr. Allen, Mr. Bereuter, Mrs. Jones of Ohio, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Owens, Ms. Corrine Brown of Florida, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, Mr. Kennedy of Minnesota, Mrs. Jo Ann Davis of Virginia, and Mr. Kind) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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. FINDINGS.**
- 4 The Congress finds the following:

- 1 (1) All children deserve a quality education, in-2 cluding children with disabilities.
 - (2) The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) provides that the Federal Government and State and local governments are to share in the expense of educating children with disabilities and commits the Federal Government to provide funds to assist with the excess expenses of educating children with disabilities.
 - (3) While Congress committed to contribute up to 40 percent of the average per pupil expenditure of educating children with disabilities, the Federal Government has failed to meet this commitment to assist States and localities.
 - (4) To date, the Federal Government has never contributed more than 16.5 percent of the national average per pupil expenditure to assist with the excess expenses of educating children with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
 - (5) Failing to meet the Federal Government's commitment to assist with the excess expense of educating a child with a disability contradicts the goal of ensuring that children with disabilities receive a quality education.

1	SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR PART B
2	OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
3	EDUCATION ACT.
4	Section 611(j) of the Individuals with Disabilities
5	Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1412(j)), is amended by strik-
6	ing "there are authorized to be appropriated such sums
7	as may be necessary" and inserting "there are authorized
8	to be appropriated the following amounts for the following
9	fiscal years:
10	" (1) \$10,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2004.
11	"(2) $$12,300,000,000$ for fiscal year 2005.
12	"(3) $$15,300,000,000$ for fiscal year 2006.
13	"(4) $$18,300,000,000$ for fiscal year 2007.
14	"(5) The amount that is equal to the sum of
15	the maximum amount of the grant that each State
16	may receive under this section, as determined under
17	subsection (a)(2), for fiscal year 2008 and for each
18	subsequent fiscal year".