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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “American History and  
3 Civics Education Act of 2004”.

4 **SEC. 2. PRESIDENTIAL ACADEMIES FOR TEACHING OF**  
5 **AMERICAN HISTORY AND CIVICS; CONGRES-**  
6 **SIONAL ACADEMIES FOR STUDENTS OF**  
7 **AMERICAN HISTORY AND CIVICS.**

8 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Education  
9 (referred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) may award  
10 not more than 12 grants, on a competitive basis—

11 (1) to entities to establish Presidential Acad-  
12 emies for Teaching of American History and Civics  
13 that may offer workshops for both veteran and new  
14 teachers of American history and civics; and

15 (2) to entities to establish Congressional Acad-  
16 emies for Students of American History and Civics.

17 (b) APPLICATION.—An entity that desires to receive  
18 a grant under subsection (a) shall submit an application  
19 to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and con-  
20 taining such information as the Secretary may require.

21 (c) DEMONSTRATED EXPERTISE.—The Secretary  
22 shall require that each entity, to be eligible to receive a  
23 grant under this section, demonstrate expertise in histor-  
24 ical methodology or the teaching of history.

25 (d) AVAILABLE FUNDS.—To carry out this section,  
26 the Secretary may use any funds appropriated for fiscal

1 year 2005 or any subsequent fiscal year to carry out part  
2 D of title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education  
3 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7241 et seq.).

4 **SEC. 3. NATIONAL HISTORY DAY PROGRAM.**

5       The Secretary may award grants to the National His-  
6 tory Day Program for the purpose of continuing and ex-  
7 panding its activities to promote the study of history and  
8 improve instruction.

      Passed the House of Representatives November 19,  
2004.

Attest:

*Clerk.*