

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1877

To authorize the cancellation of Perkins Loans for students who perform public service as librarians in low-income schools and public libraries.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 17, 2007

Mr. BECERRA (for himself, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. SHIMKUS) 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 “Librarian Incentive
5 to Boost Recruitment and Retention in Areas of Need Act
6 of 2007” or the “LIBRARIAN Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LOAN CANCELLATION.**

2 (a) AMENDMENTS.—Section 465(a) of the Higher
3 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087ee(a)) is amend-
4 ed—

5 (1) in paragraph (2)—

6 (A) by striking “section 111(c)” in sub-
7 paragraph (A) and inserting “section
8 1113(a)(5)”;

9 (B) by striking “or” at the end of subpara-
10 graph (H);

11 (C) by striking the period at the end of
12 subparagraph (I) and inserting “; or”; and

13 (D) by inserting after subparagraph (I) the
14 following new subparagraph:

15 “(J) as a full time librarian, if the librarian has
16 a master’s degree in library science and is employed
17 in—

18 “(i) an elementary school or secondary
19 school that is eligible for assistance under title
20 I of the Elementary and Secondary Education
21 Act of 1965; or

22 “(ii) a public library that serves a geo-
23 graphic area that contains 1 or more schools el-
24 igible for assistance under title I of the Elemen-
25 tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.”;
26 and

1 (2) in paragraph (3)(A)(i), by striking out
2 “(H), or (I)” and inserting “(H), (I), or (J)”.

3 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
4 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to any year of serv-
5 ice that is completed after the date of enactment of this
6 Act.

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