

115TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 2992

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to expand eligibility for public service student loan forgiveness to certain contractor employees of national laboratories.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 21, 2017

Mr. SWALWELL of California (for himself, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Ms. LEE, Mr. PERLMUTTER, and Mr. CÁRDENAS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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## 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 “Fairness in Forgive-  
5 ness Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES OF NA-**  
2 **TIONAL LABORATORIES FOR PUBLIC SERV-**  
3 **ICE STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS.**

4 Section 455(m)(3)(B) of the Higher Education Act  
5 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087e(m)(3)(B)) is amended—

6 (1) in clause (i), by striking “or” at the end;

7 (2) in clause (ii), by striking the period at the  
8 end and inserting “; or”; and

9 (3) by adding at the end the following new  
10 clause:

11 “(iii) a full-time job as an employee of  
12 a management and operating contractor of  
13 a National Laboratory (as defined in sec-  
14 tion 2(3) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005  
15 (42 U.S.C. 15801(3))) assigned to a posi-  
16 tion at such laboratory.”.

17 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

18 This Act and the amendments made by this Act shall  
19 take effect as if enacted on October 1, 2007.

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