

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3252

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to authorize certain students in retain financial aid eligibility while completing a drug rehabilitation program.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 2017

Mr. FOSTER 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 “Second Chance for  
5 Students Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN CONVICTIONS.**

7 Section 484(r) of the Higher Education Act of 1965  
8 (20 U.S.C. 1091(r)) is amended—

1           (1) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-  
2 graph (4);

3           (2) in paragraph (1), by striking “A student”  
4 and inserting “Subject to paragraph (3), a student”;  
5 and

6           (3) by adding at the end the following:

7           “(3) EXCEPTION.—A student whose eligibility  
8 has been suspended under paragraph (1), or whose  
9 eligibility, in the absence of this paragraph, would  
10 have been suspended under paragraph (1), due to a  
11 conviction of an offense involving the possession of  
12 marijuana, without the intent to distribute, may re-  
13 sume or retain eligibility before the end of the ineli-  
14 gibility period (or the period that would have been  
15 the ineligibility period) determined under such para-  
16 graph during the period of completion of a drug re-  
17 habilitation program described in subparagraph (A)  
18 or (B) of paragraph (2), except that such period of  
19 completion shall not exceed 6 months.”.

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