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# H. R. 8126

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. LEE of Nevada introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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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 “Communities Serving  
5 Schools Act of 2020”.

6 **SEC. 2. WRAPAROUND SERVICES GRANT PROGRAM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—From the amounts appropriated  
8 under subsection (f), the Secretary of Education shall  
9 award grants, on a competitive basis, to State educational

1 agencies or local educational agencies in order to provide,  
2 to eligible schools, wraparound services that address out-  
3 of-school factors that interfere with learning.

4 (b) APPLICATIONS.—

5 (1) GRANT APPLICATION.—To be eligible for a  
6 grant under this section, a State educational agency  
7 or local educational agency shall submit to the Sec-  
8 retary an application in such form, at such time,  
9 and containing such information as the Secretary  
10 determines appropriate.

11 (2) SUBGRANT APPLICATION.—To be eligible  
12 for a subgrant under this section, a local educational  
13 agency shall submit to the appropriate State edu-  
14 cational agency an application in such form, at such  
15 time, and containing such information as the State  
16 educational agency determines appropriate.

17 (c) USE OF FUNDS.—

18 (1) USE OF FUNDS BY STATE EDUCATIONAL  
19 AGENCY.—A State educational agency that receives  
20 grant funds under subsection (a) shall use such  
21 funds to award subgrants to local educational agen-  
22 cies served by the State educational agency.

23 (2) USE OF FUNDS BY LOCAL EDUCATIONAL  
24 AGENCY.—A local educational agency that receives  
25 grant funds under subsection (a) or subgrant funds

1 under paragraph (1) shall use the funds for the fol-  
2 lowing activities for each eligible school served by  
3 the local educational agency:

4 (A) Implementing a planning period that  
5 involves—

6 (i) assessing the needs and strengths  
7 of the school; and

8 (ii) selecting relevant programs and  
9 tiered supports that match the individual  
10 needs of each student.

11 (B) Partnering with a nonprofit or commu-  
12 nity-based organization with a demonstrated  
13 record of providing high-quality, evidence-based  
14 wraparound services for children.

15 (C) Hiring an on-site coordinator who  
16 will—

17 (i) ensure wraparound services are  
18 aligned with student needs; and

19 (ii) connect students to the right serv-  
20 ices and supports in an efficient manner.

21 (D) Ensuring integration of wraparound  
22 services within the school.

23 (E) Tracking data on an annual basis.

24 (d) DURATION.—A grant or subgrant awarded under  
25 this section shall be for a 4-year period.

1 (e) LIMITATION.—With respect to a 4-year grant pe-  
2 riod, a local educational agency may only receive a grant  
3 or a subgrant under this section for such grant period.

4 (f) REPORTS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after  
6 the date on which the first grant is awarded under  
7 this section, and 2 years thereafter, the Secretary  
8 shall submit to Congress a report (with information  
9 disaggregated in accordance with paragraph (2)) in-  
10 cluding—

11 (A) with respect to an eligible school re-  
12 ceiving assistance under this section, descrip-  
13 tions of any changes relating to—

- 14 (i) average daily attendance;
- 15 (ii) on-time graduation rate;
- 16 (iii) chronic absenteeism;
- 17 (iv) rate of promotion to the following  
18 grade;
- 19 (v) student health (including mental  
20 health);
- 21 (vi) behavioral issues, including—
- 22 (I) issues that harm the well-  
23 being of a student; and
- 24 (II) issues that put a student at  
25 risk of not graduating;

- 1 (vii) overall academic progress;
- 2 (viii) annual dropout rates;
- 3 (ix) school climate; and
- 4 (x) school engagement; and

5 (B) recommendations with respect to best  
6 practices for implementing high-quality wrap-  
7 around services in elementary and secondary  
8 schools, including with respect to—

- 9 (i) data tracking;
- 10 (ii) integration of services;
- 11 (iii) conducting assessments of the  
12 needs and strengths of a school; and
- 13 (iv) partnering with organizations.

14 (2) DISAGGREGATION.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—The information de-  
16 scribed under paragraph (1)(A), with respect to  
17 a school, shall be disaggregated, where appro-  
18 priate, by—

- 19 (i) all students enrolled in such  
20 school; and
- 21 (ii) all students—
  - 22 (I) enrolled in such school; and
  - 23 (II) receiving wraparound serv-  
24 ices.

1 (B) FURTHER DISAGGREGATION.—The in-  
2 formation disaggregated in accordance with  
3 clauses (i) and (ii) of subparagraph (A) shall be  
4 further disaggregated by—

- 5 (i) race;  
6 (ii) ethnicity; and  
7 (iii) income.

8 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
9 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section  
10 \$1,000,000,000.

11 (h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) ESEA TERMS.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—The terms “elementary  
14 school”, “local educational agency”, “secondary  
15 school”, and “State educational agency” have  
16 the meanings given such terms in section 8101  
17 of the Elementary and Secondary Education  
18 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

19 (B) ELIGIBLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE  
20 AREA.—The term “eligible school attendance  
21 area” has the meaning given such term in sec-  
22 tion 1113(a)(2) of the Elementary and Sec-  
23 ondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.  
24 6313(a)(2)).

1           (2) ELIGIBLE SCHOOL.—The term “eligible  
2 school” means a public elementary school or sec-  
3 ondary school that serves an eligible school attend-  
4 ance area.

5           (3) WRAPAROUND SERVICE.—The term “wrap-  
6 around service” means a school-based service that  
7 targets academic and non-academic barriers to stu-  
8 dent achievement, including—

9                   (A) assistance with—

10                           (i) academics;

11                           (ii) mental health; or

12                           (iii) physical health;

13                   (B) provision of basic needs (including  
14 food, housing, and clothing);

15                   (C) enrichment and after-school programs;

16                   (D) life skills;

17                   (E) behavioral interventions;

18                   (F) college and career preparation; and

19                   (G) service and community-based learning.

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