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H. RES. 237

[Report No. 119-84]

Of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Education to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the reduction in force and other downsizing measures at the Department of Education.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2025

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia (for himself, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. NORCROSS, Mrs. MCBATH, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. OMAR, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. CASAR, Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania, and Mr. MANNION) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Workforce

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Additional sponsor: Ms. BROWNLEY

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RESOLUTION

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reduction in force and other downsizing measures at the Department of Education.

1 *Resolved*, That the President is requested, and the
2 Secretary of Education is directed, to transmit, respec-
3 tively, to the House of Representatives, not later than 14
4 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution,
5 unredacted copies of all documents, memoranda, legal
6 opinions, notes from meetings, records (including tele-
7 phone records, electronic mail records, and screenshots),
8 correspondence (electronic or otherwise), and other com-
9 munications (or any portion of any such communications)
10 that are in the possession of the President or the Sec-
11 retary, respectively, and refer or relate to the following:

12 (1) The closure of the Department of Edu-
13 cation.

14 (2) Any reduction in force or other downsizing
15 measures at the Department of Education.

16 (3) Any actions taken pursuant to the Sec-
17 retary of Education's March 3, 2025, communica-
18 tion to staff entitled "Our Department's Final Mis-
19 sion".

20 (4) Any actions taken pursuant to any Execu-
21 tive order of the President directing the Secretary of
22 Education to take steps to facilitate the closure of
23 the Department of Education.

1 (5) Any determinations made by the Executive
2 Office of the President, the Secretary of Education,
3 or the staff of the Department of Education that the
4 staff remaining at the Department after any reduc-
5 tion in force, other downsizing measure, or closure
6 would be sufficient to ensure that the Secretary
7 could faithfully execute the Federal laws Congress
8 has directed the Secretary to enforce or implement,
9 including—

10 (A) title IX of the Education Amendments
11 of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.);

12 (B) title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
13 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.);

14 (C) the Individuals with Disabilities Edu-
15 cation Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.);

16 (D) section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act
17 of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794);

18 (E) title II of the Americans with Disabil-
19 ties Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12131 et seq.);

20 (F) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975
21 (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.);

22 (G) the Elementary and Secondary Edu-
23 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.);

24 (H) the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
25 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.);

1 (I) the Carl D. Perkins Career and Tech-
2 nical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2301
3 et seq.);

4 (J) the Education Sciences Reform Act of
5 2002 (20 U.S.C. 9501 et seq.);

6 (K) section 444 of the General Education
7 Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g) (commonly
8 known as the “Family Educational Rights and
9 Privacy Act of 1974”); and

10 (L) section 445 of the General Education
11 Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232h) (commonly
12 known as the “Protection of Pupil Rights
13 Amendment”).

14 *That the President is requested, and the Secretary of
15 Education is directed, to transmit, respectively, to the
16 House of Representatives, not later than 14 days after the
17 date of the adoption of this resolution, unredacted copies
18 of all documents, memoranda, legal opinions, notes from
19 meetings, records (including telephone records, electronic
20 mail records, and screenshots), correspondence (electronic or
21 otherwise), and other communications (or any portion of
22 any such communications) that are in the possession of the
23 President or the Secretary, respectively, and refer or relate
24 to the following:*

25 (1) *The closure of the Department of Education.*

1 (2) Any reduction in force or other downsizing
2 measures at the Department of Education.

3 (3) Any actions taken pursuant to the Secretary
4 of Education's March 3, 2025, communication to staff
5 entitled "Our Department's Final Mission".

6 (4) Any actions taken pursuant to any Executive
7 Order of the President directing the Secretary of Edu-
8 cation to take steps to facilitate the closure of the De-
9 partment of Education.

10 (5) Any determinations made by the Executive
11 Office of the President, the Secretary of Education, or
12 the staff of the Department of Education that the staff
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