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A BILL

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend Section 202 of the District of Columbia Public Education Reform Amendment Act of 2007 to require the Office of the State Superintendent of Education to create and implement a Selective Service awareness campaign.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Selective Service Federal Benefits Awareness Amendment Act of 2019”.

Sec. 2. Section 3(b) of the State Education Office Establishment Act of 2000, effective October 21, 2000 (D.C. Law 13-176; D.C. Official Code § 38-2602) is amended to add a new paragraph (32) to read as follows:

“(32)(A) In consultation with the District of Columbia Department of Motor Vehicles, the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (“OSSE”) shall create and implement a Selective Service awareness campaign (“campaign”).

“(B) The awareness campaign shall include the following information:

“(i) Who is required under federal law to register for Selective Service;

“(ii) When an individual required to register must do so;

“(iii) Clear step-by-step guidance on how to register; and

34                   “(iv) An explanation of what benefits an individual will no longer be  
35 eligible for if an individual does not register for the Selective Service despite being required to  
36 do so.

37                   “(C) As part of the campaign established in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph,  
38 OSSE shall ensure that all individuals currently enrolled in a District of Columbia public or  
39 public charter school, who are required to register for Selective Service in compliance with the  
40 requirements of 50 U.S.C. App. § 453, are notified of the registration requirement within 30 days  
41 of the individual’s 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.

42                   “(D) By March 30<sup>th</sup> of each year, OSSE, using information requested and  
43 obtained from the Selective Service, shall compile and transmit to the Council a report detailing  
44 the barriers to Selective Service registration, the District’s efforts to increase Selective Service  
45 registration during the preceding calendar year, how the District plans to increase registration in  
46 the current year, and the following data for the preceding calendar year:

47                   “(i) The number of individuals, disaggregated by age, who were required  
48 to register for Selective Service;

49                   “(ii) The number of individuals, disaggregated by age, who actually  
50 registered for Selective Service;

51                   “(iii) The number of individuals who registered through the DMV;

52                   “(iv) The number of individuals who registered through means other than  
53 the DMV and a list of the other means, ranked from most to least used, by which individuals  
54 registered; and

55                   “(v) The number of individuals who were notified of the registration  
56 requirement pursuant to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.”.

57           Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

58           The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal  
59 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,  
60 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

61           Sec. 5. Effective date.

62           This act shall take effect following approval of the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
63 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 60-day period of congressional review as  
64 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December  
65 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C Official Code § 1-206.22(c)(1)), and publication in the District of  
66 Columbia Register.