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# H. R. 1064

To reinstate year-round Federal Pell Grants under the Higher Education Act of 1965.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 25, 2015

Mrs. BUSTOS (for herself, Mr. LOEBSACK, and Mr. KIND) 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 “Access to Education  
5 and Training Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL PELL GRANTS.**

7 (a) AMENDMENTS.—Section 401(b) of the Higher  
8 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)) is amend-  
9 ed—

1           (1) in paragraph (2)(A)(ii), by striking “para-  
2           graph (7)(B)” and inserting “paragraph (8)(B)”;  
3           and

4           (2) by redesignating paragraphs (5) through  
5           (7) as paragraphs (6) through (8), respectively; and

6           (3) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-  
7           lowing:

8           “(5)(A) The Secretary shall award a student  
9           not more than two Federal Pell Grants during a sin-  
10          gle award year to permit such student to accelerate  
11          the student’s progress toward a degree or certificate  
12          if the student is enrolled—

13                 “(i) on at least a half-time basis for a pe-  
14                 riod of more than one academic year, or more  
15                 than two semesters or an equivalent period of  
16                 time, during a single award year; and

17                 “(ii) in a program of instruction at an in-  
18                 stitution of higher education for which the insti-  
19                 tution awards an associate or baccalaureate de-  
20                 gree or certificate.

21          “(B) In the case of a student receiving more  
22          than one Federal Pell Grant in a single award year  
23          under subparagraph (A), the total amount of Fed-  
24          eral Pell Grants awarded to such student for the  
25          award year may exceed the maximum basic grant

1 level specified in the appropriate appropriations Act  
2 for such award year.”.

3 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
4 subsection (a) shall be effective for award year 2015–2016  
5 and each succeeding award year.

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