

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 414

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to allow an individual to qualify for both teacher loan forgiveness and public service loan forgiveness, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 10, 2017

Mrs. LAWRENCE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to allow an individual to qualify for both teacher loan forgiveness and public service loan forgiveness, and for other purposes.

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 “Encourage our Edu-
5 cators Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. LOAN FORGIVENESS FOR TEACHERS.**

7 (a) PART B.—Section 428J of the Higher Education
8 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1078–10) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)(1), in the matter pre-
2 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “5” and in-
3 serting “3”;

4 (2) in subsection (c)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1)—

6 (i) by striking “\$5,000” and inserting
7 “\$17,500”; and

8 (ii) by striking “fifth” and inserting
9 “third”; and

10 (B) by striking paragraph (3); and

11 (3) in subsection (g)—

12 (A) by inserting “or” at the end of sub-
13 paragraph (A); and

14 (B) by striking subparagraph (B).

15 (b) PART D.—Section 460 of the Higher Education
16 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087j) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (b)(1), in the matter pre-
18 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “5” and in-
19 serting “3”;

20 (2) in subsection (c)—

21 (A) in paragraph (1)—

22 (i) by striking “\$5,000” and inserting
23 “\$17,500”; and

24 (ii) by striking “fifth” and inserting
25 “third”; and

1 (B) by striking paragraph (3); and

2 (3) in subsection (g)—

3 (A) by inserting “or” at the end of sub-
4 paragraph (A); and

5 (B) by striking subparagraph (B).

6 **SEC. 3. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

7 Section 455(m)(4) of the Higher Education Act of
8 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087e(m)(4)) is amended—

9 (1) by striking “428J,”; and

10 (2) by striking “428L, or 460” and inserting “,
11 or 428L”.

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