

115TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 4542

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a distracted driving education grant program, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 4, 2017

Miss RICE of New York (for herself and Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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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 “Distracted Driving  
5 Education Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. DISTRACTED DRIVING EDUCATION GRANT PRO-**  
2 **GRAM.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than October 1,  
4 2018, the Secretary of Transportation shall establish a  
5 distracted driving education grant program.

6 (b) GRANT AUTHORITY.—In carrying out the pro-  
7 gram established under subsection (a), the Secretary may  
8 make a grant, on a competitive basis, to a nonprofit orga-  
9 nization.

10 (c) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—A grant made under sub-  
11 section (b) shall be used to provide education to the public  
12 regarding the risks of distracted driving, including texting  
13 or otherwise using a personal wireless communications de-  
14 vice while driving.

15 (d) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible for a grant made  
16 under subsection (b), a nonprofit organization shall sub-  
17 mit to the Secretary an application in such form, at such  
18 time, and containing such information as the Secretary  
19 determines appropriate.

20 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
21 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to make  
22 grants under subsection (b) \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal  
23 years 2019 and 2020.

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