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# H. R. 4646

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for comprehensive student achievement information.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 2021

Mrs. HAYES (for herself and Mr. CURTIS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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## A BILL

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for comprehensive student achievement information.

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 “Time for Completion  
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONSUMER INFORMATION ABOUT COMPLETION OR**  
7 **GRADUATION TIMES.**

8 (a) **TRANSPARENCY IN COLLEGE TUITION FOR CON-**  
9 **SUMERS.**—Section 132(i)(1)(J) of the Higher Education

1 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1015a(i)(1)(J)) is amended to  
2 read as follows:

3 “(J)(i) For programs of study 4 years of  
4 length or longer—

5 “(I) the percentages of first-time, full-  
6 time, degree- or certificate-seeking under-  
7 graduate students enrolled at the institu-  
8 tion who obtain a degree or certificate  
9 within each of the times for completion or  
10 graduation described in subclauses (I)  
11 through (III) of clause (iii);

12 “(II) the percentages of first-time,  
13 part-time, degree- or certificate-seeking un-  
14 dergraduate students enrolled at the insti-  
15 tution who obtain a degree or certificate  
16 within each of the times for completion or  
17 graduation described in subclauses (I)  
18 through (III) of clause (iii);

19 “(III) the percentages of non-first  
20 time, full-time, degree- or certificate-seek-  
21 ing undergraduate students enrolled at the  
22 institution who obtain a degree or certifi-  
23 cate within each of the times for comple-  
24 tion or graduation described in subclauses  
25 (I) through (III) of clause (iii); and

1           “(IV) the percentages of non-first-  
2           time, part-time, degree- or certificate-seek-  
3           ing undergraduate students enrolled at the  
4           institution who obtain a degree or certifi-  
5           cate within each of the times for comple-  
6           tion or graduation described in subclauses  
7           (I) through (III) of clause (iii).

8           “(ii) For programs of study less than 4  
9           years—

10           “(I) the percentages of first-time, full-  
11           time, degree- or certificate-seeking under-  
12           graduate students enrolled at the institu-  
13           tion who obtain a degree or certificate  
14           within each of the times for completion or  
15           graduation described in subclauses (I)  
16           through (IV) of clause (iii);

17           “(II) the percentages of first-time,  
18           part-time, degree- or certificate-seeking un-  
19           dergraduate students enrolled at the insti-  
20           tution who obtain a degree or certificate  
21           within each of the times for completion or  
22           graduation described in subclauses (I)  
23           through (IV) of clause (iii);

24           “(III) the percentages of non-first-  
25           time, full-time, degree- or certificate-seek-

1 ing undergraduate students enrolled at the  
2 institution who obtain a degree or certifi-  
3 cate within each of the times for comple-  
4 tion or graduation described in subclauses  
5 (I) through (IV) of clause (iii); and

6 “(IV) the percentages of non-first-  
7 time, part-time, degree- or certificate-seek-  
8 ing undergraduate students enrolled at the  
9 institution who obtain a degree or certifi-  
10 cate within each of the times for comple-  
11 tion or graduation described in subclauses  
12 (I) through (IV) of clause (iii).

13 “(iii) For purposes of this subparagraph,  
14 the times for completion or graduation are as  
15 follows:

16 “(I) The normal time for completion  
17 of, or graduation from, the student’s pro-  
18 gram.

19 “(II) 150 percent of the normal time  
20 for completion of, or graduation from, the  
21 student’s program.

22 “(III) 200 percent of the normal time  
23 for completion of, or graduation from, the  
24 student’s program.

1                   “(IV) 300 percent of the normal time  
2                   for completion of, or graduation from, the  
3                   student’s program.

4                   “(iv) In making publicly available the per-  
5                   centages described in this subparagraph, the  
6                   Secretary shall display each percentage in a  
7                   consistent manner and with equal visibility.”.

8                   (b) INSTITUTIONAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN-  
9                   FORMATION FOR STUDENTS.—Section 485(a) of the  
10                  Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1092(a)) is  
11                  amended—

12                  (1) in paragraph (1), by amending subpara-  
13                  graph (L) to read as follows:

14                  “(L) each completion or graduation rate for  
15                  each type of student and program described in  
16                  clauses (i) and (ii) of section 132(i)(1)(J);”;

17                  (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “within 150  
18                  percent of the normal time for completion of or  
19                  graduation from the program” and inserting “within  
20                  the time for completion or graduation described in  
21                  section 132(i)(1)(J) applicable to such student and  
22                  such program”.

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