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H. R. 8364

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 13, 2022

Mrs. LESKO (for herself, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. NORMAN, and Mr. GOHMERT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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 “Protecting Kids, Pro-
5 tecting Lunches Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR PAR-**
2 **TICIPATION IN SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS.**

3 In carrying out the school lunch program authorized
4 under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act
5 (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) and the school breakfast program
6 established by section 4 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966
7 (42 U.S.C. 1773), the Secretary of Agriculture shall not—

8 (1) require a State or local educational agency,
9 school food authority, or any other entity that par-
10 ticipates in such school meal programs to, with re-
11 spect to schools served by such entities—

12 (A) prohibit the existence of spaces in such
13 schools, including sports teams, that are re-
14 served exclusively for biological males or biologi-
15 cal females;

16 (B) allow biological males in such spaces
17 reserved exclusively for biological females; or

18 (C) allow biological females in such spaces
19 reserved exclusively for biological males; and

20 (2) condition funding for participation in such
21 school meal programs on any such requirement de-
22 scribed in subparagraphs (A) through (C) of para-
23 graph (1).

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