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To provide for the long-term improvement of public school facilities, and for other purposes.

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Mr. Reed (for himself, Mr. Brown, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Luján, Mr. Van Hollen, Mr. Casey, Ms. Cortez Masto, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Markey, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Durbin, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Heinrich, Ms. Stabenow, Ms. Smith, Ms. Duckworth, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Booker, Ms. Klobuchar, and Mr. Padilla) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

To provide for the long-term improvement of public school facilities, 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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2023".
- 6 (b) Table of Contents for
- 7 this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
 - Sec. 2. Definitions.

TITLE I—GRANTS FOR THE LONG-TERM IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES

- Sec. 101. Purpose and reservation.
- Sec. 102. Allocation to States.
- Sec. 103. Need-based grants to qualified local educational agencies.
- Sec. 104. Annual report on grant program.
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TITLE II—SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS

- Sec. 201. Restoration of certain qualified tax credit bonds.
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- Sec. 203. Annual report on bond program.

TITLE III—USES OF FUNDS

- Sec. 301. Allowable uses of funds.
- Sec. 302. Prohibited uses.
- Sec. 303. Requirements for hazard resistance and energy and water conservation.
- Sec. 304. Green practices.
- Sec. 305. Use of American iron, steel, and manufactured products.

TITLE IV—REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

- Sec. 401. Comptroller General report.
- Sec. 402. Study and report on physical condition of public schools.
- Sec. 403. Office of School Infrastructure and Sustainability.
- Sec. 404. Development of data standards.
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TITLE V—IMPACT AID CONSTRUCTION

Sec. 501. Temporary increase in funding for impact aid construction.

TITLE VI—ASSISTANCE FOR REPAIR OF SCHOOL FOUNDATIONS AFFECTED BY PYRRHOTITE

- Sec. 601. Allocations to States.
- Sec. 602. Grants to local educational agencies.
- Sec. 603. Definitions.
- Sec. 604. Authorization of appropriations.

1 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

- 2 In this Act:
- 3 (1) Appropriate congressional commit-
- 4 TEES.—The term "appropriate congressional com-
- 5 mittees" means the Committee on Education and
- 6 the Workforce of the House of Representatives and

1	the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and
2	Pensions of the Senate.
3	(2) Bureau-funded school.—The term "Bu-
4	reau-funded school" has the meaning given that
5	term in section 1141 of the Education Amendments
6	of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2021).
7	(3) COVERED FUNDS.—The term "covered
8	funds" means funds received—
9	(A) under title I of this Act;
10	(B) from a school infrastructure bond; or
11	(C) from a qualified zone academy bond
12	(as such term is defined in section 54E of the
13	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as restored by
14	section 201)).
15	(4) ESEA TERMS.—The terms "elementary
16	school", "outlying area", and "secondary school"
17	have the meanings given those terms in section 8101
18	of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
19	1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).
20	(5) LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term
21	"local educational agency" has the meaning given
22	that term in section 8101 of the Elementary and
23	Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801)
24	except that such term does not include a Bureau-

funded school.

1	(6) Net zero energy school.—The term
2	"net zero energy school" means a public elementary
3	school or public secondary school that—
4	(A) generates renewable energy on-site
5	and
6	(B) produces enough renewable energy to
7	meet its own annual energy consumption re-
8	quirements.
9	(7) Public school facilities.—The term
10	"public school facilities" means the facilities and
11	grounds of a public elementary school or a public
12	secondary school.
13	(8) Qualified local educational agen-
14	CY.—The term "qualified local educational agency"
15	means a local educational agency that receives funds
16	under part A of title I of the Elementary and Sec-
17	ondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et
18	seq.).
19	(9) SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE BOND.—The
20	term "school infrastructure bond" has the meaning
21	given such term in section 54BB of the Internal
22	Revenue Code of 1986 (as added by section 202).
23	(10) Secretary.—The term "Secretary"

means the Secretary of Education.

1	(11) STATE.—The term "State" means each of
2	the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the
3	Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.
4	TITLE I—GRANTS FOR THE
5	LONG-TERM IMPROVEMENT
6	OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILI-
7	TIES
8	SEC. 101. PURPOSE AND RESERVATION.
9	(a) Purpose.—Funds made available under this title
10	shall be for the purpose of supporting long-term improve-
11	ments to public school facilities in accordance with this
12	Act.
13	(b) Reservation for Outlying Areas and Bu-
14	REAU-FUNDED SCHOOLS.—
15	(1) In general.—For each of fiscal years
16	2024 through 2028, the Secretary shall reserve,
17	from the amount appropriated to carry out this
18	title—
19	(A) one-half of 1 percent, to make alloca-
20	tions to the outlying areas in accordance with
21	paragraph (3); and
22	(B) one-half of 1 percent, for payments to
23	the Secretary of the Interior to provide assist-
24	ance to Bureau-funded schools.
25	(2) Use of reserved funds —

1	(A) IN GENERAL.—Funds reserved under
2	paragraph (1) shall be used in accordance with
3	title III.
4	(B) Special rules for bureau-funded
5	SCHOOLS.—
6	(i) Applicability.—The provisions
7	of title III shall apply to a Bureau-funded
8	school that receives assistance under para-
9	graph (1)(B) in the same manner that
10	such provisions apply to a qualified local
11	educational agency that receives covered
12	funds. The facilities of a Bureau-funded
13	school shall be treated as public school fa-
14	cilities for purposes of the application of
15	such provisions.
16	(ii) Treatment of tribally oper-
17	ATED SCHOOLS.—The Secretary of the In-
18	terior shall provide assistance to Bureau-
19	funded schools under paragraph (1)(B)
20	without regard to whether such schools are
21	operated by the Bureau of Indian Edu-
22	cation or by an Indian Tribe. In the case
23	of a Bureau-funded school that is a con-
24	tract or grant school (as that term is de-

fined in section 1141 of the Education

Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2021))

operated by an Indian Tribe, the Secretary

of the Interior shall provide assistance

under such paragraph to the Indian Tribe

concerned.

(3) Allocation to outlying areas.—From the amount reserved under paragraph (1)(A) for a fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate to each outlying area an amount in proportion to the amount received by the outlying area under part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.) for the previous fiscal year relative to the total such amount received by all outlying areas for such previous fiscal year.

15 SEC. 102. ALLOCATION TO STATES.

- (a) Allocation to States.—
- 17 (1) STATE-BY-STATE ALLOCATION.—
 - (A) FISCAL YEAR 2024.—Of the amount appropriated to carry out this title for fiscal year 2024 and not reserved under section 101(b), not later than 30 days after such funds are appropriated, each State that provides an assurance to the Secretary that the State will comply with the requirements of section 103(c) shall be allocated an amount in proportion to

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the amount received by all local educational agencies in the State under part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.) for the previous fiscal year relative to the total amount received under such part for such fiscal year by all local educational agencies in every State that provides such an assurance to the Secretary.

- (B) OTHER FISCAL YEARS.—Of amount appropriated to carry out this title for each fiscal year other than fiscal year 2024 and not reserved under section 101(b), each State that has a plan approved by the Secretary under subsection (b) shall be allocated an amount in proportion to the amount received by all local educational agencies in the State under part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.) for the previous fiscal year relative to the total amount received under such part for such fiscal year by all local educational agencies in every State that has a plan approved by the Secretary under subsection (b).
- (2) STATE RESERVATION.—A State may reserve not more than 5 percent of its allocation under para-

1	graph (1) to carry out its responsibilities under this
2	Act, which shall include—
3	(A) providing technical assistance to local
4	educational agencies, including by—
5	(i) identifying which State agencies
6	have programs, resources, and expertise
7	relevant to the activities supported by the
8	allocation under this section; and
9	(ii) coordinating the provision of tech-
10	nical assistance across such agencies;
11	(B) in accordance with the guidance issued
12	by the Secretary under section 404, developing
13	an online, publicly searchable database that
14	contains an inventory of the infrastructure of
15	all public school facilities in the State (including
16	the facilities of Bureau-funded schools, as ap-
17	propriate), including, with respect to each such
18	facility, an identification of—
19	(i) the information described in
20	clauses (i) through (vii) of subparagraph
21	(F);
22	(ii) the age (including an identifica-
23	tion of the date of any retrofits or recent
24	renovations) of—
25	(I) the facility;

1	(II) its roof;
2	(III) its electrical panels and
3	lighting system;
4	(IV) its windows and any sky-
5	lights;
6	(V) its cooking equipment and
7	major appliances;
8	(VI) its plumbing; and
9	(VII) its heating, ventilation, and
10	air conditioning system, including any
11	energy management controls and sys-
12	tems;
13	(iii) fire safety inspection results;
14	(iv) the proximity of the facilities to
15	toxic sites, including sites contaminated by
16	per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or the
17	vulnerability of the facilities to natural dis-
18	asters, including the extent to which facili-
19	ties that are vulnerable to seismic natural
20	disasters are seismically retrofitted;
21	(v) any previous inspections showing
22	the presence of toxic substances, including
23	per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances;
24	(vi) any improvements that are needed
25	to support indoor and outdoor social

1	distancing, personal hygiene, and building
2	hygiene (including with respect to heating,
3	ventilation, and air conditioning usage) in
4	school facilities, consistent with guidance
5	issued by the Centers for Disease Control
6	and Prevention; and
7	(vii) any improvements that are need-
8	ed to support energy and water efficiency,
9	resilience, and climate mitigation;
10	(C) updating the database developed under
11	subparagraph (B) not less frequently than once
12	every 3 years;
13	(D) ensuring that the information in the
14	database developed under subparagraph (B)—
15	(i) is posted on a publicly accessible
16	State website; and
17	(ii) is regularly distributed to local
18	educational agencies and Tribal govern-
19	ments in the State;
20	(E) issuing and reviewing regulations to
21	ensure the health and safety of students and
22	staff during construction or renovation projects;
23	(F) issuing or reviewing regulations to en-
24	sure safe, healthy, and high-performing school
25	buildings, including regulations governing—

1	(i) indoor environmental quality and
2	ventilation, including exposure to carbon
3	monoxide, carbon dioxide, lead-based paint,
4	and other combustion by-products such as
5	oxides of nitrogen;
6	(ii) mold, mildew, and moisture con-
7	trol;
8	(iii) the safety of drinking water at
9	the tap and water used for meal prepara-
10	tion, including regulations that—
11	(I) address the presence of lead
12	and other contaminants, including
13	per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, in
14	such water; and
15	(II) require the regular testing of
16	the potability of water at the tap and
17	testing for contaminants, including
18	per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances;
19	(iv) energy and water efficiency;
20	(v) excessive classroom noise due to
21	activities allowable under section 301;
22	(vi) the levels of maintenance work,
23	operational spending, and capital invest-
24	ment needed to maintain the quality of
25	public school facilities; and

1	(vii) the construction or renovation of
2	such facilities, including applicable building
3	codes;
4	(G) creating a plan to reduce or eliminate
5	exposure to toxic substances, including mercury,
6	radon, PCBs, lead, vapor intrusions, per- and
7	polyfluoroalkyl substances, and asbestos; and
8	(H) creating a plan to increase the number
9	of net zero energy schools in the State, includ-
10	ing professional development opportunities for
11	State and local educational agency staff in-
12	volved in maintenance, operations, and school
13	facilities capital outlay projects related to en-
14	ergy and water efficiency, resilience, climate
15	mitigation, renewable energy, energy storage,
16	and building electrification.
17	(b) State Plan.—
18	(1) In general.—Except as provided in para-
19	graph (2), to be eligible to receive an allocation
20	under this section, a State shall submit to the Sec-
21	retary a plan that—
22	(A) describes how the State will use the al-
23	location to make long-term improvements to
24	public school facilities:

1	(B) explains how the State will carry out
2	each of its responsibilities under subsection
3	(a)(2);
4	(C) explains how the State will make the
5	determinations under subsections (b) through
6	(d) of section 103, including how the State will
7	consider the impact that projects will have on
8	student diversity and racial and socioeconomic
9	isolation of students attending any current (as
10	of the time of the submission of the plan) or fu-
11	ture public school facilities supported by such
12	projects;
13	(D) identifies how long, and at what levels,
14	the State will maintain fiscal effort for the ac-
15	tivities supported by the allocation after the
16	State no longer receives the allocation; and
17	(E) includes such other information as the
18	Secretary may require.
19	(2) Expedited process for fiscal year
20	2024.—
21	(A) Assurance to secretary.—To be
22	eligible to receive an allocation for fiscal year
23	2024 under subsection (a)(1)(A), a State shall
24	provide to the Secretary an assurance that the

State will comply with the requirements of section 103(c).

- (B) Submittal of State Plan.—A State shall not be required to submit a State plan under paragraph (1) before receiving an allocation for fiscal year 2024 under subsection (a)(1)(A). A State that receives an allocation under such subsection for such fiscal year shall submit to the Secretary the State plan described in paragraph (1) not later than 90 days after the date on which such allocation is received.
- 13 (3) APPROVAL AND DISAPPROVAL.—The Sec-14 retary shall have the authority to approve or dis-15 approve a State plan submitted under paragraph 16 (1).
- 17 (c) CONDITIONS.—As a condition of receiving an allo-18 cation under this section, a State shall agree to the fol-19 lowing:

20 (1) Matching requirement.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—The State shall con-22 tribute, from non-Federal sources, an amount 23 equal to 10 percent of the amount of the alloca-24 tion received under this section to carry out the 25 activities supported by the allocation.

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1	(B) Deadline.—The State shall provide
2	any contribution required under subparagraph
3	(A) not later than September 30, 2031.
4	(C) CERTAIN FISCAL YEARS.—With re-
5	spect to a fiscal year for which more than
6	\$7,000,000,000 are appropriated to carry out
7	this title, subparagraph (A) shall be applied as
8	if ", from non-Federal sources," were struck.
9	(D) Commitment to proportional
10	STATE INVESTMENT IN SCHOOL FACILITIES.—
11	(i) In general.—The State shall
12	provide an assurance to the Secretary that
13	for each fiscal year that the State receives
14	an allocation under this section, the State's
15	share of school facilities capital outlay will
16	be not less than 90 percent of the average
17	of the State's share of school facilities cap-
18	ital outlay for the 5 years preceding the
19	fiscal year for which the allocation is re-
20	ceived.
21	(ii) Waiver.—Notwithstanding clause
22	(i), in response to a request from a State,
23	the Secretary may modify or waive, in
24	whole or in part, the requirement of clause
25	(i) if the Secretary determines that such

1	State demonstrates an exceptional or un-
2	controllable circumstance, such as a nat-
3	ural disaster, pandemic, or precipitous de-
4	cline in revenue.
5	(iii) State's share of school fa-
6	CILITIES CAPITAL OUTLAY.—In this sub-
7	paragraph, the term "State's share of
8	school facilities capital outlay" means—
9	(I) the total State expenditures
10	on school facilities capital outlay
11	projects; divided by
12	(II) the total school facilities cap-
13	ital expenditures in the State on
14	school facilities capital outlay projects.
15	(iv) Total state expenditures.—
16	In this subparagraph, the term "total
17	State expenditures" means the State's
18	total expenditures (from funds other than
19	an allocation under this section) on school
20	facilities capital outlay projects, includ-
21	ing—
22	(I) any direct expenditures by the
23	State for the purpose of school facili-
24	ties capital outlay projects; and

1	(II) funds provided by the State
2	to local educational agencies for the
3	purpose of school facilities capital out-
4	lay projects.
5	(v) TOTAL SCHOOL FACILITIES CAP-
6	ITAL EXPENDITURES IN THE STATE.—In
7	this subparagraph, the term "total school
8	facilities capital expenditures in the State",
9	means the sum of—
10	(I) the total State expenditures
11	calculated under clause (iv); plus
12	(II) all additional expenditures
13	(from funds other than an allocation
14	under this section) on school facilities
15	capital outlay projects by local edu-
16	cational agencies in the State that
17	were not included in the calculation of
18	total State expenditures under clause
19	(iv).
20	(2) Supplement not supplant.—The State
21	shall use an allocation under this section only to
22	supplement the level of State public funds that
23	would, in absence of the receipt of Federal funds
24	under this section, be made available for the State's

1	contribution to school facilities capital outlays, and
2	not to supplant such State public funds.
3	SEC. 103. NEED-BASED GRANTS TO QUALIFIED LOCAL EDU
4	CATIONAL AGENCIES.
5	(a) Grants to Local Educational Agencies.—
6	(1) In General.—Subject to paragraph (2)
7	from the amounts allocated to a State under section
8	102(a) and contributed by the State under section
9	102(c)(1), the State shall award grants to qualified
10	local educational agencies, on a competitive basis, to
11	carry out the activities described in section 301(a)
12	(2) Allowance for digital learning.—A
13	State may use up to 10 percent of the amount de-
14	scribed in paragraph (1) to make grants to qualified
15	local educational agencies to carry out activities to
16	improve digital learning in accordance with section
17	301(b).
18	(b) Eligibility.—
19	(1) In general.—To be eligible to receive a
20	grant under this section, a qualified local edu-
21	cational agency—
22	(A) shall be among the local educational
23	agencies in the State with the highest numbers
24	or percentages of students counted under sec-

1	tion 1124(c) of the Elementary and Secondary
2	Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6333(e));
3	(B) shall agree to prioritize the improve-
4	ment of the facilities of public schools that
5	serve the highest percentages of students who
6	are eligible for a free or reduced price lunch
7	under the Richard B. Russell National School
8	Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) (which, in
9	the case of a high school, may be calculated
10	using comparable data from the schools that
11	feed into the high school), as compared to other
12	public schools in the jurisdiction of the agency;
13	and
14	(C) shall be among the local educational
15	agencies in the State with the most limited ca-
16	pacity to raise funds for the long-term improve-
17	ment of public school facilities, as determined
18	by an assessment of—
19	(i) the current and historic ability of
20	the agency to raise funds for construction,
21	renovation, modernization, and major re-
22	pair projects for schools;
23	(ii) whether the agency has been able
24	to issue bonds or receive other funds to
25	support school construction projects; and

1	(iii) the bond rating of the agency.
2	(2) Equitable distribution.—
3	(A) Numbers and percentages of cer-
4	TAIN STUDENTS.—In making the determination
5	under paragraph (1)(A), the State shall ensure
6	that grants under this section are equitably dis-
7	tributed among—
8	(i) qualified local educational agencies
9	in the State with the highest numbers of
10	students counted under section 1124(c) of
11	the Elementary and Secondary Education
12	Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6333(c)); and
13	(ii) qualified local educational agencies
14	in the State with the highest percentages
15	of students counted under such section.
16	(B) Geographic diversity.—The State
17	shall ensure that grants under this section are
18	awarded to qualified local educational agencies
19	that represent the geographic diversity of the
20	State.
21	(3) Statewide thresholds.—The State shall
22	establish reasonable thresholds for determining
23	whether a local educational agency is among agen-
24	cies in the State with the highest numbers or per-
25	centages of students counted under section 1124(c)

1	of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
2	1965 (20 U.S.C. 6333(c)) as required under para-
3	graph (1)(A).
4	(c) Priority of Grants.—In awarding grants
5	under this section, the State shall give priority to qualified
6	local educational agencies that—
7	(1)(A) demonstrate the greatest need for such
8	a grant, as determined by a comparison of the fac-
9	tors described in subsection $(b)(1)$ and other indica-
10	tors of need in the public school facilities of such
11	local educational agencies, including—
12	(i) the median age of facilities;
13	(ii) the extent to which student enrollment
14	exceeds physical and instructional capacity;
15	(iii) the condition of major building sys-
16	tems such as heating, ventilation, air condi-
17	tioning, electrical, water, and sewer systems;
18	(iv) the condition of roofs, windows, and
19	doors; and
20	(v) other critical health and safety condi-
21	tions;
22	(B) will use the grant to improve the facilities
23	of—
24	(i) elementary schools or middle schools
25	that have an enrollment of students who are eli-

- gible for a free or reduced price lunch under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) that constitutes not less than 40 percent of the total student enrollment at such schools; or
 - (ii) high schools that have an enrollment of students who are eligible for a free or reduced price lunch under such Act that constitutes not less than 30 percent of the total student enrollment at such schools (which may be calculated using comparable data from the schools that feed into the high school); and
 - (C) operate public school facilities that pose a severe health and safety threat to students and staff, which may include consideration of threats posed by the proximity of the facilities to toxic sites or brownfield sites or the vulnerability of the facilities to natural disasters; or
 - (2)(A) will use the grant to improve access to high-speed broadband sufficient to support digital learning in accordance with section 301(b);
 - (B) serve elementary schools or secondary schools, including rural schools, that lack such access; and

1	(C) meet one or more of the requirements set
2	forth in subparagraphs (A) through (C) of para-
3	graph (1).
4	(d) Application.—To be considered for a grant
5	under this section, a qualified local educational agency
6	shall submit an application to the State at such time, in
7	such manner, and containing such information as the
8	State may require. Such application shall include, at min-
9	imum—
10	(1) the information necessary for the State to
11	make the determinations under subsections (b) and
12	(e);
13	(2) a description of the projects that the agency
14	plans to carry out with the grant;
15	(3) an explanation of how such projects will—
16	(A) improve conditions for the health and
17	safety of staff and students at schools served by
18	the agency;
19	(B) improve learning and reduce inequity
20	for such students; and
21	(C) improve school facilities' performance
22	with respect to energy and water efficiency, re-
23	silience, and climate mitigation;
24	(4) in the case of a local educational agency
25	that proposes to fund a repair, renovation, or con-

1	struction project for a public charter school, the ex-
2	tent to which—
3	(A) the public charter school lacks access
4	to funding for school repair, renovation, and
5	construction through the financing methods
6	available to other public schools or local edu-
7	cational agencies in the State; and
8	(B) the charter school operator owns or
9	has care and control of the facility that is to be
10	repaired, renovated, or constructed; and
11	(5) an explanation of how the local educational
12	agency plans to increase the number of contracts
13	such agency has with certified small businesses, mi-
14	nority-owned businesses, veteran-owned businesses,
15	or women-owned businesses as of the date of sub-
16	mission of the application by awarding such con-
17	tracts under projects supported by the grant.
18	(e) Facilities Master Plan.—
19	(1) Plan required.—Not later than 180 days
20	after receiving a grant under this section, a qualified
21	local educational agency shall submit to the State a
22	comprehensive 10-year facilities master plan.
23	(2) Elements.—The facilities master plan re-
24	quired under paragraph (1) shall include, with re-

1	spect to all public school facilities of the qualified
2	local educational agency, a description of—
3	(A) the extent to which public school facili-
4	ties meet students' educational needs and sup-
5	port the agency's educational mission and vi-
6	sion;
7	(B) the physical condition of the public
8	school facilities;
9	(C) the current health, safety, and environ-
10	mental conditions of the public school facilities,
11	including—
12	(i) indoor air quality;
13	(ii) the presence of toxic substances;
14	(iii) the safety of drinking water at
15	the tap and water used for meal prepara-
16	tion, including the level of lead and other
17	contaminants in such water;
18	(iv) energy and water efficiency, resil-
19	ience, and climate mitigation;
20	(v) excessive classroom noise; and
21	(vi) other health, safety, and environ-
22	mental conditions that would impact the
23	health, safety, and learning ability of stu-
24	dents;

1	(D) how the local educational agency will
2	address the conditions identified under subpara-
3	graph (C), including identifying performance
4	targets where applicable;
5	(E) the impact of current and future stu-
6	dent enrollment levels (as of the date of appli-
7	cation) on the design of current and future pub-
8	lic school facilities, as well as the financial im-
9	plications of such enrollment levels;
10	(F) the dollar amount and percentage of
11	funds the local educational agency will dedicate
12	to capital construction projects for public school
13	facilities, including—
14	(i) any funds in the budget of the
15	agency that will be dedicated to such
16	projects; and
17	(ii) any funds not in the budget of the
18	agency that will be dedicated to such
19	projects, including any funds available to
20	the agency as the result of a bond issue;
21	and
22	(G) the dollar amount and percentage of
23	funds the local educational agency will dedicate
24	to the maintenance and operation of public
25	school facilities, including—

1	(i) any funds in the budget of the
2	agency that will be dedicated to the main-
3	tenance and operation of such facilities;
4	and
5	(ii) any funds not in the budget of the
6	agency that will be dedicated to the main-
7	tenance and operation of such facilities.
8	(3) Consultation.—In developing the facili-
9	ties master plan required under paragraph (1)—
10	(A) a qualified local educational agency
11	shall consult with teachers, principals and other
12	school leaders, custodial and maintenance staff,
13	emergency first responders, school facilities di-
14	rectors, students and families, community resi-
15	dents, and Indian Tribes; and
16	(B) in addition to the consultation required
17	under subparagraph (A), a Bureau-funded
18	school shall consult with the Bureau of Indian
19	Education.
20	SEC. 104. ANNUAL REPORT ON GRANT PROGRAM.
21	(a) In General.—Not later than September 30 of
22	each fiscal year beginning after the date of the enactment
23	of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate
24	congressional committees a report on the projects carried
25	out with funds made available under this title.

1	(b) Elements.—The report under subsection (a)
2	shall include, with respect to the fiscal year preceding the
3	year in which the report is submitted, the following:
4	(1) An identification of each local educational
5	agency that received a grant under this title.
6	(2) With respect to each such agency, a descrip-
7	tion of—
8	(A) the demographic composition of the
9	student population served by the agency,
10	disaggregated by—
11	(i) race;
12	(ii) the number and percentage of stu-
13	dents counted under section 1124(c) of the
14	Elementary and Secondary Education Act
15	of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6333(c)); and
16	(iii) the number and percentage of
17	students who are eligible for a free or re-
18	duced price lunch under the Richard B.
19	Russell National School Lunch Act (42
20	U.S.C. 1751 et seq.);
21	(B) the population density of the geo-
22	graphic area served by the agency;
23	(C) the projects for which the agency used
24	the grant received under this title, described
25	using measurements of school facility quality

1	from the most recent available version of the
2	Common Education Data Standards published
3	by the National Center for Education Statistics;
4	(D) the demonstrable or expected benefits
5	of the projects, including any improvements—
6	(i) to conditions for health, safety,
7	and learning; and
8	(ii) to school facilities with respect to
9	energy and water efficiency, resilience, re-
10	duced carbon emissions, and climate miti-
11	gation;
12	(E) the square footage of the improve-
13	ments made with covered funds;
14	(F) the total cost of each such project—
15	(i) in total; and
16	(ii) disaggregated by the costs of plan-
17	ning, design, construction, site purchase,
18	and improvements;
19	(G) the estimated number of jobs created
20	by the projects;
21	(H) of the total number of contracts
22	awarded under the project, the percentage of
23	such contracts that were awarded to certified
24	small businesses, minority-owned businesses,

1	veteran-owned businesses, and women-owned
2	businesses; and
3	(I)(i) the total dollar value of contracts
4	awarded under the project to certified small
5	businesses, minority-owned businesses, veteran-
6	owned businesses, and women-owned busi-
7	nesses, respectively; and
8	(ii) the total dollar value of contracts
9	awarded under the project to all such busi-
10	nesses combined.
11	(3) The total dollar amount of all grants re-
12	ceived by local educational agencies under this title.
13	(c) LEA Information Collection.—A local edu-
14	cational agency that receives a grant under this title
15	shall—
16	(1) annually compile the information described
17	in subsection $(b)(2)$;
18	(2) make the information available to the pub-
19	lic, including by posting the information on a pub-
20	licly accessible agency website; and
21	(3) submit the information to the State.
22	(d) STATE INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION.—A State
23	that receives information from a local educational agency
24	under subsection (c) shall—

1	(1) compile the information and report it annu-
2	ally to the Secretary at such time and in such man-
3	ner as the Secretary may require;
4	(2) make the information available to the pub-
5	lic, including by posting the information on a pub-
6	licly accessible State website; and
7	(3) regularly distribute the information to local
8	educational agencies and Tribal governments in the
9	State.
10	SEC. 105. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
11	There are authorized to be appropriated
12	\$20,000,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through
13	2028 to carry out this title. Amounts so appropriated are
14	authorized to remain available through fiscal year 2033.
15	TITLE II—SCHOOL
16	INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS
17	SEC. 201. RESTORATION OF CERTAIN QUALIFIED TAX
18	CREDIT BONDS.
19	(a) Allowance of Credit.—
20	(1) In general.—Section 54A of the Internal
21	Revenue Code of 1986, as in effect on the day before
22	repeal by Public Law 115–97, is revived.
23	(2) Credit limited to certain bonds.—
24	(A) In general.—Section 54A(d)(1) of
25	such Code, as revived by paragraph (1), is

1	amended by striking "means—" and all that
2	follows through "which is part" and inserting
3	"means a qualified zone academy bond which is
4	part".
5	(B) Conforming Amendment.—Section
6	54A(c)(2)(C) of such Code, as revived by para-
7	graph (1), is amended by striking "means—"
8	and all that follows and inserting "a purpose
9	specified in section 54E(a)(1)".
10	(3) Conforming amendments.—
11	(A) The Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is
12	amended by inserting before section 54A (as re-
13	vived by paragraph (1)) the following:
14	"Subpart I—Qualified Tax Credit Bonds
	"Subpart I—Qualified Tax Credit Bonds "Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.".
14	"Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.".
1415	"Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is
141516	"Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking "and G" and inserting "G,
14151617	"Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking "and G" and inserting "G, and I".
14 15 16 17 18	"Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking "and G" and inserting "G, and I". (C) The table of subparts for part IV of
14 15 16 17 18 19	 "Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking "and G" and inserting "G, and I". (C) The table of subparts for part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of such Code is
14 15 16 17 18 19	"Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking "and G" and inserting "G, and I". (C) The table of subparts for part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following:
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	"Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking "and G" and inserting "G, and I". (C) The table of subparts for part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following: "SUBPART I—QUALIFIED TAX CREDIT BONDS".
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	 "Sec. 54A. Credit to holder of qualified tax credit bonds.". (B) Section 6401(b)(1) of such Code is amended by striking "and G" and inserting "G, and I". (C) The table of subparts for part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following: "SUBPART I—QUALIFIED TAX CREDIT BONDS". (b) CREDIT ALLOWED TO ISSUER.—

1	(2) Conforming amendment.—Section
2	6211(b)(4) of such Code is amended by striking
3	"and 6428A" and inserting "6428A, and 6431".
4	(c) Qualified Zone Academy Bonds.—
5	(1) In General.—Section 54E of the Internal
6	Revenue Code of 1986, as in effect on the day before
7	repeal by Public Law 115–97, is revived.
8	(2) Extension of Limitation.—Section
9	54(E)(c)(1) of such Code is amended—
10	(A) by striking "and \$400,000,000" and
11	inserting "\$400,000,000", and
12	(B) by striking "and, except as provided"
13	and all that follows through the period at the
14	end and inserting ", and $$1,400,000,000$ for
15	2023 and each calendar year thereafter.".
16	(3) Removal of private business con-
17	TRIBUTION REQUIREMENT.—Section 54E of the In-
18	ternal Revenue Code of 1986, as revived by para-
19	graph (1) and amended by paragraph (2), is amend-
20	ed —
21	(A) in subsection (a)(3), by inserting
22	"and" at the end of subparagraph (A), by strik-
23	ing subparagraph (B), and by redesignating
24	subparagraph (C) as subparagraph (B),
25	(B) by striking subsection (b), and

1	(C) by redesignating subsections (c) and
2	(d) as subsections (b) and (c), respectively.
3	(4) Construction of a public school fa-
4	CILITY.—Section 54E(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Rev-
5	enue Code of 1986, as revived by paragraph (1) and
6	redesignated in paragraph (3)(C), is amended by
7	striking "rehabilitating or repairing" and inserting
8	"constructing, rehabilitating, retrofitting, or repair-
9	ing".
10	(d) Conforming Amendment Related to Appli-
11	CATION OF CERTAIN LABOR STANDARDS.—
12	(1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter IV of chapter 31
13	of the title 40, United States Code, shall apply to
14	projects financed with the proceeds of any qualified
15	zone academy bond (as defined in section 54E of the
16	Internal Revenue Code of 1986) issued after the
17	date of the enactment of the American Recovery and
18	Reinvestment Tax Act of 2009.
19	(2) Conforming amendment.—Section 1601
20	of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax
21	Act of 2009 is amended by striking paragraph (3)
22	and redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as para-
23	graphs (3) and (4), respectively.

- 1 (e) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 2 this section shall apply to obligations issued after Decem-
- 3 ber 31, 2023.
- 4 SEC. 202. SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Internal Revenue Code of
- 6 1986 is amended by inserting after subpart I (as revived
- 7 by section 201) of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1
- 8 the following new subpart:

9 "Subpart J—School Infrastructure Bonds

"Sec. 54BB. School infrastructure bonds.

10 "SEC. 54BB. SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS.

- 11 "(a) IN GENERAL.—If a taxpayer holds a school in-
- 12 frastructure bond on one or more interest payment dates
- 13 of the bond during any taxable year, there shall be allowed
- 14 as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for
- 15 the taxable year an amount equal to the sum of the credits
- 16 determined under subsection (b) with respect to such
- 17 dates.
- 18 "(b) Amount of Credit.—The amount of the credit
- 19 determined under this subsection with respect to any in-
- 20 terest payment date for a school infrastructure bond is
- 21 100 percent of the amount of interest payable by the
- 22 issuer with respect to such date.
- 23 "(c) Limitation Based on Amount of Tax.—

1	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The credit allowed under
2	subsection (a) for any taxable year shall not exceed
3	the excess of—
4	"(A) the sum of the regular tax liability of
5	the taxpayer (as defined in section 26(b)) plus
6	the tax imposed by section 55, over
7	"(B) the sum of the credits allowable
8	under this part (other than subpart C and this
9	subpart).
10	"(2) Carryover of unused credit.—If the
11	credit allowable under subsection (a) exceeds the
12	limitation imposed by paragraph (1) for such taxable
13	year, such excess shall be carried to the succeeding
14	taxable year and added to the credit allowable under
15	subsection (a) for such taxable year (determined be-
16	fore the application of paragraph (1) for such suc-
17	ceeding taxable year).
18	"(d) School Infrastructure Bond.—
19	"(1) In general.—For purposes of this sec-
20	tion, the term 'school infrastructure bond' means
21	any bond issued as part of an issue if—
22	"(A) 100 percent of the available project
23	proceeds of such issue are to be used for the
24	purposes described in section 301 of the Re-
25	build America's Schools Act of 2023.

1	"(B) the interest on such obligation would
2	(but for this section) be excludable from gross
3	income under section 103,
4	"(C) the issue meets the requirements of
5	paragraph (3), and
6	"(D) the issuer designates such bond for
7	purposes of this section.
8	"(2) APPLICABLE RULES.—For purposes of ap-
9	plying paragraph (1)—
10	"(A) for purposes of section 149(b), a
11	school infrastructure bond shall not be treated
12	as federally guaranteed by reason of the credit
13	allowed under section 6431(a),
14	"(B) for purposes of section 148, the yield
15	on a school infrastructure bond shall be deter-
16	mined without regard to the credit allowed
17	under subsection (a), and
18	"(C) a bond shall not be treated as a
19	school infrastructure bond if the issue price has
20	more than a de minimis amount (determined
21	under rules similar to the rules of section
22	1273(a)(3)) of premium over the stated prin-
23	cipal amount of the bond.
24	"(3) 6-YEAR EXPENDITURE PERIOD.—

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"(A) In GENERAL.—An issue shall be treated as meeting the requirements of this paragraph if, as of the date of issuance, the issuer reasonably expects 100 percent of the available project proceeds to be spent for purposes described in section 301 of the Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2023 within the 6-year period beginning on such date of issuance.

"(B) FAILURE TO SPEND REQUIRED **AMOUNT** OF BOND PROCEEDS WITHIN YEARS.—To the extent that less than 100 percent of the available project proceeds of the issue are expended at the close of the period described in subparagraph (A) with respect to such issue, the issuer shall redeem all of the nonqualified bonds within 90 days after the end of such period. For purposes of this paragraph, the amount of the nonqualified bonds required to be redeemed shall be determined in the same manner as under section 142.

"(e) Limitation on Amount of Bonds Des-22 Ignated.—The maximum aggregate face amount of 23 bonds issued during any calendar year which may be des-24 ignated under subsection (d)(1)(D) by any issuer shall not

1	exceed the limitation amount allocated under subsection
2	(g) for such calendar year to such issuer.
3	"(f) National Limitation on Amount of Bonds
4	DESIGNATED.—The national qualified school infrastruc-
5	ture bond limitation for each calendar year is—
6	"(1) $$10,000,000,000$ for 2023 ,
7	(2) \$10,000,000,000 for 2024, and
8	" (3) \$10,000,000,000 for 2025.
9	"(g) Allocation of Limitation.—
10	"(1) Allocations.—
11	"(A) States.—After application of sub-
12	paragraph (B) and paragraph (3)(A), the limi-
13	tation applicable under subsection (f) for a cal-
14	endar year shall be allocated by the Secretary
15	among the States in proportion to the respec-
16	tive amounts received by all local educational
17	agencies in each State under part A of title I
18	of the Elementary and Secondary Education
19	Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.) for the
20	previous fiscal year relative to the total such
21	amount received by all local educational agen-
22	cies for the most recent fiscal year ending be-
23	fore such calendar year.
24	"(B) CERTAIN POSSESSIONS.—One-half of
25	1 percent of the amount of the limitation appli-

cable under subsection (f) for a calendar year

shall be allocated by the Secretary to possessions of the United States other than Puerto

Rico for such calendar year.

"(2) Allocations to schools.—The limitation amount allocated to a State or possession under paragraph (1) shall be allocated by the State educational agency (or such other agency as is authorized under State law to make such allocation) to issuers within such State or possession in accordance with the priorities described in subsections (c) and (d) of section 103 of the Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2023 and the eligibility requirements described in section 103(b) of such Act, except that paragraph (1)(C) of such section shall not apply to the determination of eligibility for such allocation.

"(3) Allocations for indian schools.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—One-half of 1 percent of the amount of the limitation applicable under subsection (f) for any calendar year shall be allocated by the Secretary to the Secretary of the Interior for schools funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for such calendar year.

"(B) ALLOCATION TO SCHOOLS.—The limitation amount allocated to the Secretary of the

Interior under paragraph (1) shall be allocated by such Secretary to issuers or schools funded as described in paragraph (2). In the case of amounts allocated under the preceding sentence, Indian tribal governments shall be treated as qualified issuers for purposes of this subchapter.

"(4) DIGITAL LEARNING.—Up to 10 percent of the limitation amount allocated under paragraph (1) or (3)(A) may be allocated by the State to issuers within such State (in the case of an amount allocated under paragraph (1)) or by the Secretary of the Interior to issuers or schools funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (in the case of an amount allocated under paragraph (3)(A)) to carry out activities to improve digital learning in accordance with section 301(b) of the Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2023.

"(h) Interest Payment Date.—For purposes of this section, the term 'interest payment date' means any date on which the holder of record of the school infrastructure bond is entitled to a payment of interest under such bond.

24 "(i) Special Rules.—

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1	"(1) Interest on school infrastructure
2	BONDS INCLUDIBLE IN GROSS INCOME FOR FED-
3	ERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES.—For purposes of this
4	title, interest on any school infrastructure bond shall
5	be includible in gross income.
6	"(2) Application of Certain Rules.—Rules
7	similar to the rules of subsections (f), (g), (h), and
8	(i) of section 54A shall apply for purposes of the
9	credit allowed under subsection (a).".
10	(b) Credit Allowed to Issuer.—Section
11	6431(f)(3)(A) of such Code, as revived by section
12	201(b)(1), is amended by striking "means any qualified
13	tax credit bond" and all that follows through the end of
14	subparagraph (A) and inserting "means any bond if—
15	"(A) such bond is—
16	"(i) a qualified tax credit bond which
17	is a qualified zone academy bond (as de-
18	fined in section 54E) determined without
19	regard to any allocation relating to the na-
20	tional zone academy bond limitation for
21	years after 2010 or any carryforward of
22	any such allocation, or
23	"(ii) any school infrastructure bond
24	(as defined in section 54BB) and"

- 1 (c) Application of Certain Labor Standards.—
- 2 Subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States
- 3 Code, shall apply to projects financed with the proceeds
- 4 of any qualified zone academy bond (as defined in section
- 5 54E of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) issued after
- 6 the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 7 (d) Conforming Amendments.—
- 8 (1) Section 6401(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue
- 9 Code of 1986, as amended by section 201(a), is
- amended by striking "and I" and inserting "I, and
- 11 J".
- 12 (2) The table of subparts for part IV of sub-
- chapter A of chapter 1 of such Code, as amended by
- section 201(a), is amended by adding at the end the
- 15 following:

"SUBPART J—SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS".

- 16 (e) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 17 this section shall apply to obligations issued after Decem-
- 18 ber 31, 2023.
- 19 SEC. 203. ANNUAL REPORT ON BOND PROGRAM.
- 20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September 30 of
- 21 each fiscal year beginning after the date of the enactment
- 22 of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit
- 23 to the appropriate congressional committees a report on
- 24 the amendments made by sections 201 and 202.

1	(b) Elements.—The report under paragraph (1)
2	shall include, with respect to the fiscal year preceding the
3	year in which the report is submitted, the following:
4	(1) An identification of—
5	(A) each local educational agency (if any)
6	that received an allocation under section
7	54E(b)(2) or 54BB(g) of the Internal Revenue
8	Code of 1986, and
9	(B) each local educational agency (if any)
10	that was eligible to receive such funds but did
11	not receive such funds.
12	(2) With respect to each local educational agen-
13	cy described in paragraph (1)—
14	(A) an assessment of the capacity of the
15	agency to raise funds for the long-term im-
16	provement of public school facilities, as deter-
17	mined by an assessment of—
18	(i) the current and historic ability of
19	the agency to raise funds for construction,
20	renovation, modernization, and major re-
21	pair projects for schools, including the abil-
22	ity of the agency to raise funds through
23	imposition of property taxes,

1	(ii) whether the agency has been able
2	to issue bonds to fund construction
3	projects, including—
4	(I) qualified zone academy bonds
5	under section 54E of the Internal
6	Revenue Code of 1986, and
7	(II) school infrastructure bonds
8	under section 54BB of the Internal
9	Revenue Code of 1986, and
10	(iii) the bond rating of the agency,
11	(B) the demographic composition of the
12	student population served by the agency,
13	disaggregated by—
14	(i) race,
15	(ii) the number and percentage of stu-
16	dents counted under section 1124(c) of the
17	Elementary and Secondary Education Act
18	of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6333(e)), and
19	(iii) the number and percentage of
20	students who are eligible for a free or re-
21	duced price lunch under the Richard B.
22	Russell National School Lunch Act (42
23	U.S.C. 1751 et seq.),
24	(C) the population density of the geo-
25	graphic area served by the agency,

1	(D) a description of the projects carried
2	out with funds received from school infrastruc-
3	ture bonds,
4	(E) a description of the demonstrable or
5	expected benefits of the projects, and
6	(F) the estimated number of jobs created
7	by the projects.
8	(3) The total dollar amount of all funds re-
9	ceived by local educational agencies from school in-
10	frastructure bonds.
11	(4) Any other factors that the Secretary of the
12	Treasury determines to be appropriate.
13	(c) Information Collection.—A State or local
14	educational agency that receives an allocation under sec-
15	tion 54E(b)(2) or 54BB(g) of the Internal Revenue Code
16	of 1986 shall—
17	(1) annually compile the information necessary
18	for the Secretary of the Treasury to determine the
19	elements described in subsection (b), and
20	(2) report the information to the Secretary of
21	the Treasury at such time and in such manner as
22	the Secretary of the Treasury may require.
23	(d) Secretary of the Treasury.—For purposes
24	of this section, the term "Secretary of the Treasury" in-
25	cludes the Secretary's delegate.

TITLE III—USES OF FUNDS

2	SEC. 301. ALLOWABLE USES OF FUNDS.
3	(a) In General.—Except as provided in section 302,
4	a local educational agency that receives covered funds may
5	use such funds to—
6	(1) develop, maintain, and update (as nec-
7	essary) the facilities master plan required under sec-
8	tion 103(e);
9	(2) construct, modernize, renovate, or retrofit
10	public school facilities, which may include seismic
11	retrofitting for schools vulnerable to seismic natural
12	disasters;
13	(3) decarbonize public school facilities through
14	the adoption of all-electric space and water heating
15	systems and cooking equipment, including other effi-
16	ciency improvements and on-site renewable energy
17	installation;
18	(4) carry out major repairs of public school fa-
19	cilities, including deferred maintenance projects;
20	(5) install furniture or fixtures with at least a
21	10-year life in public school facilities;
22	(6) construct new public school facilities;
23	(7) acquire and prepare sites on which new
24	public school facilities will be constructed;

1	(8) extend the life of basic systems and compo-
2	nents of public school facilities;
3	(9) ensure current or anticipated enrollment
4	does not exceed the physical and instructional capac-
5	ity of public school facilities;
6	(10) ensure the building envelopes and interiors
7	of public school facilities protect occupants from nat-
8	ural elements and human threats, and are struc-
9	turally sound and secure;
10	(11) compose building design plans that
11	strengthen the safety and security on school prem-
12	ises by utilizing design elements, principles, and
13	technology that—
14	(A) guarantee layers of security through-
15	out the school premises; and
16	(B) uphold the aesthetics of the school
17	premises as a learning and teaching environ-
18	ment;
19	(12) improve energy and water efficiency to
20	lower the costs of energy and water consumption in
21	public school facilities;
22	(13) improve indoor air quality in public school
23	facilities;
24	(14) reduce or eliminate the presence of—

1	(A) toxic substances, including mercury,
2	radon, PCBs, lead, per- and polyfluoroalkyl
3	substances, and asbestos;
4	(B) mold and mildew; or
5	(C) rodents and pests;
6	(15) ensure the safety of drinking water at the
7	tap and water used for meal preparation in public
8	school facilities, which may include testing of the po-
9	tability of water at the tap for the presence of lead
10	and other contaminants, including per- and
11	polyfluoroalkyl substances;
12	(16) bring public school facilities into compli-
13	ance with applicable fire, health, and safety codes;
14	(17) make public school facilities accessible to
15	people with disabilities through compliance with the
16	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
17	12101 et seq.) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation
18	Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794);
19	(18) provide instructional program space im-
20	provements for programs relating to early learning
21	(including early learning programs operated by part-
22	ners of the agency), special education, science, tech-
23	nology, career and technical education, physical edu-
24	cation, music, the arts, and literacy (including li-
25	brary programs):

1	(19) improving the public school facilities of
2	magnet schools, or other instructional programs, de-
3	signed to increase student diversity and decrease ra-
4	cial or socioeconomic isolation;
5	(20) increase the use of public school facilities
6	for the purpose of community-based partnerships
7	that provide students with academic, health, and so-
8	cial services;
9	(21) ensure the health of students and staff
10	during the construction or modernization of public
11	school facilities; or
12	(22) reduce or eliminate excessive classroom
13	noise due to activities allowable under this section
14	(b) Allowance for Digital Learning.—A local
15	educational agency may use covered funds to leverage ex-
16	isting public programs or public-private partnerships to
17	expand access to high-speed broadband sufficient for dig-
18	ital learning.
19	SEC. 302. PROHIBITED USES.
20	(a) In General.—A local educational agency that
21	receives covered funds may not use such funds for—
22	(1) payment of routine and predictable mainte-
23	nance costs and minor repairs;

1	(2) any facility that is primarily used for ath-
2	letic contests or exhibitions or other events for which
3	admission is charged to the general public;
4	(3) vehicles; or
5	(4) central offices, operation centers, or other
6	facilities that are not primarily used to educate stu-
7	dents.
8	(b) Additional Prohibitions Relating to Char-
9	TER SCHOOLS.—No covered funds may be used—
10	(1) for the facilities of a public charter school
11	that is operated or managed by a for-profit entity;
12	or
13	(2) for the facilities of a public charter school
14	if—
15	(A) the school leases the facilities from an
16	individual or for-profit entity; and
17	(B) such individual, or an individual with
18	a direct or indirect financial interest in such en-
19	tity, has a management or governance role in
20	such school.
21	SEC. 303. REQUIREMENTS FOR HAZARD RESISTANCE AND
22	ENERGY AND WATER CONSERVATION.
23	A local educational agency that receives covered
24	funds shall ensure that any new construction, moderniza-

- 1 tion, or renovation project carried out with such funds
- 2 meets or exceeds the requirements of the following:
- 3 (1) Requirements for such projects set forth in 4 the most recent published edition of a nationally rec-5 ognized, consensus-based model building code.
- 6 (2) Requirements for such projects set forth in 7 the most recent published edition of a nationally rec-8 ognized, consensus-based model energy conservation 9 code.
- 10 (3) Performance criteria under the WaterSense 11 program, established under section 324B of the of 12 the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 13 6294b), applicable to such projects within a nation-14 ally recognized, consensus-based model code.
- 15 (4) Indoor environmental air quality require-16 ments applicable to such projects as set forth in the 17 most recent published edition of a nationally recog-18 nized, consensus-based code or standard.

19 SEC. 304. GREEN PRACTICES.

- 20 (a) In General.—A local educational agency that
- 21 uses covered funds for a new construction. modernization,
- 22 or renovation project shall ensure that such project for
- 23 new construction is certified, verified, or consistent with
- 24 the applicable provisions of—

1	(1) the United States Green Building Council
2	Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
3	green building rating standard (commonly known as
4	the "LEED Green Building Rating System");
5	(2) the Living Building Challenge developed by
6	the International Living Future Institute;
7	(3) a green building rating program developed
8	by the Collaborative for High Performance Schools
9	(commonly known as "CHPS") that is CHPS-
10	verified;
11	(4) the Green Building Initiative Green Globes
12	rating system; or
13	(5) a program that—
14	(A) has standards that are equivalent to or
15	more stringent than the standards of a program
16	described in paragraphs (1) through (4);
17	(B) is adopted by the State or another ju-
18	risdiction with authority over the agency; and
19	(C) includes a verifiable method to dem-
20	onstrate compliance with such program.
21	SEC. 305. USE OF AMERICAN IRON, STEEL, AND MANUFAC
22	TURED PRODUCTS.
23	(a) In General.—A local educational agency that
24	receives covered funds shall ensure that any iron, steel,

1	and manufactured products used in projects carried out
2	with such funds are produced in the United States.
3	(b) Waiver Authority.—
4	(1) In General.—The Secretary may waive
5	the requirement of subsection (a) if the Secretary
6	determines that—
7	(A) applying subsection (a) would be in-
8	consistent with the public interest;
9	(B) iron, steel, and manufactured products
10	produced in the United States are not produced
11	in a sufficient and reasonably available amount
12	or are not of a satisfactory quality; or
13	(C) using iron, steel, and manufactured
14	products produced in the United States will in-
15	crease the cost of the overall project by more
16	than 25 percent.
17	(2) Publication.—Before issuing a waiver
18	under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall publish in
19	the Federal Register a detailed written explanation
20	of the waiver determination.
21	(c) Consistency With International Agree-
22	MENTS.—This section shall be applied in a manner con-
23	sistent with the obligations of the United States under
24	international agreements.
25	(d) DEFINITIONS—In this section:

1	(1) PRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES.—The
2	term "produced in the United States" means the fol-
3	lowing:
4	(A) When used with respect to a manufac-
5	tured product, the product was manufactured in
6	the United States and the cost of the compo-
7	nents of such product that were mined, pro-
8	duced, or manufactured in the United States
9	exceeds 60 percent of the total cost of all com-
10	ponents of the product.
11	(B) When used with respect to iron or
12	steel products, or an individual component of a
13	manufactured product, all manufacturing proc-
14	esses for such iron or steel products or compo-
15	nents, from the initial melting stage through
16	the application of coatings, occurred in the
17	United States, except that the term does not in-
18	clude—
19	(i) steel or iron material or products
20	manufactured abroad from semi-finished
21	steel or iron from the United States; and
22	(ii) steel or iron material or products
23	manufactured in the United States from
24	semi-finished steel or iron of foreign origin.

1	(2) Manufactured product.—The term
2	"manufactured product" means any construction
3	material or end product (as such terms are defined
4	in part 25.003 of the Federal Acquisition Regula-
5	tion) that is not an iron or steel product, includ-
6	ing—
7	(A) electrical components; and
8	(B) nonferrous building materials, includ-
9	ing aluminum and polyvinylchloride (PVC),
10	glass, fiber optics, plastic, wood, masonry, rub-
11	ber, manufactured stone, any other nonferrous
12	metals, and any unmanufactured construction
13	material.
14	TITLE IV—REPORTS AND OTHER
15	MATTERS
16	SEC. 401. COMPTROLLER GENERAL REPORT.
17	(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the
18	date on which the majority of States receiving allocations
19	under section 102 have made grants to local educational
20	agencies under section 103, the Comptroller General of
21	the United States shall submit to the appropriate congres-
22	sional committees a report on the projects carried out with
23	covered funds.
24	(b) Elements.—The report under subsection (a)
2.5	shall include an assessment of—

1	(1) State activities, including—
2	(A) criteria used by each State to deter-
3	mine high-need students and facilities for pur-
4	poses of the projects carried out with covered
5	funds; and
6	(B) whether the State issued new regula-
7	tions to ensure the health and safety of stu-
8	dents and staff during construction or renova-
9	tion projects or to ensure safe, healthy, and
10	high-performing school buildings;
11	(2) the types of projects carried out with cov-
12	ered funds, including—
13	(A) the square footage of the improve-
14	ments made with covered funds;
15	(B) the total cost of each such project; and
16	(C) the costs of the project disaggregated
17	by the costs for planning, design, construction
18	site purchase, and improvements;
19	(3) the geographic distribution of the projects
20	(4) an assessment of the impact of selected
21	projects (as identified by the Secretary) on the
22	health and safety of school staff and students; and
23	(5) how the Secretary or States could make
24	covered funds more accessible—

1	(A) to schools with the highest numbers
2	and percentages of students counted under sec-
3	tion 1124(c) of the Elementary and Secondary
4	Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6333(c));
5	and
6	(B) to schools with fiscal challenges in
7	raising capital for school infrastructure
8	projects.
9	(c) UPDATES.—The Comptroller General shall up-
10	date and resubmit the report under this section to the ap-
11	propriate congressional committees—
12	(1) on a date that is between 5 and 6 years
13	after the date of the submittal of the first report
14	under this section; and
15	(2) on a date that is between 10 and 11 years
16	after the date of the submittal of such first report.
17	SEC. 402. STUDY AND REPORT ON PHYSICAL CONDITION OF
18	PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
19	(a) Study and Report.—Not less frequently than
20	once in each 5-year period beginning after the date of the
21	enactment of this Act, the Secretary, acting through the
22	Director of the Institute of Education Sciences, shall—
23	(1) carry out a comprehensive study of the
24	physical conditions of all public schools in each State
25	and outlying area; and

1	(2) submit a report to the appropriate congres-
2	sional committees that includes the results of the
3	study.
4	(b) Elements.—Each study and report under sub-
5	section (a) shall include—
6	(1) an assessment of—
7	(A) the effect of school facility conditions
8	on student and staff health and safety;
9	(B) the effect of school facility conditions
10	on student academic outcomes;
11	(C) the condition of school facilities, set
12	forth separately by geographic region;
13	(D) the condition of school facilities for
14	economically disadvantaged students as well as
15	students from major racial and ethnic sub-
16	groups;
17	(E) the accessibility of school facilities for
18	students and staff with disabilities;
19	(F) the prevalence of school facilities at
20	which student enrollment exceeds the physical
21	and instructional capacity of the facility and the
22	effect of such excess enrollment on instructional
23	quality and delivery of school wraparound serv-
24	ices;

1	(G) the condition of school facilities af-
2	fected by natural disasters;
3	(H) the effect that projects carried out
4	with covered funds have on the communities in
5	which such projects are conducted, including
6	the vitality, jobs, population, and economy of
7	such communities;
8	(I) the ability of building envelopes and in-
9	teriors of public school facilities to protect occu-
10	pants from natural elements and human
11	threats; and
12	(J) the performance of school facilities
13	projects with respect to energy and water effi-
14	ciency and climate mitigation and resilience;
15	(2) an explanation of any differences observed
16	with respect to the factors described in subpara-
17	graphs (A) through (J) of paragraph (1); and
18	(3) a cost estimate for bringing school facilities
19	to a state of good repair, as determined by the Sec-
20	retary.
21	SEC. 403. OFFICE OF SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUS-
22	TAINABILITY.
23	(a) Establishment.—Not later than 90 days after
24	the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall es-
25	tablish within the Department of Education an office to

- 1 be known as the "Office of School Infrastructure and Sus-
- 2 tainability" (referred to in this section as the "Office").
- 3 (b) Head of Office shall
- 4 be an individual designated by the Secretary.
- 5 (c) Duties.—The duties of the Office shall be—
- 6 (1) to advise the Secretary on State plans 7 under section 102;
- 8 (2) to serve as a liaison with other departments
- 9 and agencies of the Federal Government on matters
- relating to public school facilities, including the De-
- partment of Energy, the Department of Health and
- Human Services, the Department of the Treasury,
- the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and
- the Environmental Protection Agency;
- 15 (3) to ensure the Department of Education is
- prepared to meet the requirements of this Act in a
- timely manner; and
- 18 (4) to manage such other programs or initia-
- tives affecting public school facilities as the Sec-
- 20 retary determines appropriate.

21 SEC. 404. DEVELOPMENT OF DATA STANDARDS.

- 22 (a) Data Standards.—Not later than 120 days
- 23 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary,
- 24 in consultation with the officials described in subsection
- 25 (b), shall—

1	(1) identify the data that States should collect
2	and include in the databases developed under section
3	102(a)(2)(B);
4	(2) develop standards for the measurement of
5	such data; and
6	(3) issue guidance to States concerning the col-
7	lection and measurement of such data.
8	(b) Officials.—The officials described in this sub-
9	section are—
10	(1) the Administrator of the Environmental
11	Protection Agency;
12	(2) the Secretary of Energy;
13	(3) the Director of the Centers for Disease
14	Control and Prevention; and
15	(4) the Director of the National Institute for
16	Occupational Safety and Health.
17	SEC. 405. INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE.
18	(a) In General.—Not later than 120 days after the
19	date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall es-
20	tablish a clearinghouse to disseminate information on Fed-
21	eral programs and financing mechanisms that may be
22	used to assist schools in initiating, developing, and financ-
23	ing—
24	(1) energy efficiency projects;
25	(2) distributed generation projects; and

1	(3) energy retrofitting projects.
2	(b) Elements.—In carrying out subsection (a), the
3	Secretary shall—
4	(1) consult with the officials described in sec-
5	tion 404(b) to develop a list of Federal programs
6	and financing mechanisms to be included in the
7	clearinghouse; and
8	(2) coordinate with such officials to develop a
9	collaborative education and outreach effort to
10	streamline communications and promote the Federal
11	programs and financing mechanisms included in the
12	clearinghouse, which may include the development
13	and maintenance of a single online resource that in-
14	cludes contact information for relevant technical as-
15	sistance that may be used by States, outlying areas,
16	local educational agencies, and Bureau-funded
17	schools to effectively access and use such Federal
18	programs and financing mechanisms.
19	TITLE V—IMPACT AID
20	CONSTRUCTION
21	SEC. 501. TEMPORARY INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR IMPACT
22	AID CONSTRUCTION.
23	Section 7014(d) of the Elementary and Secondary
24	Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7714(d)) is amended
25	to read as follows:

- 1 "(d) Construction.—For the purpose of carrying
- 2 out section 7007, there are authorized to be appropriated
- 3 \$100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through
- 4 2028.".

5 TITLE VI—ASSISTANCE FOR RE-

- 6 PAIR OF SCHOOL FOUNDA-
- 7 TIONS AFFECTED BY
- 8 **PYRRHOTITE**
- 9 SEC. 601. ALLOCATIONS TO STATES.
- 10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Beginning not later than 180
- 11 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
- 12 retary shall carry out a program under which the Sec-
- 13 retary makes allocations to States to pay the Federal
- 14 share of the costs of making grants to local educational
- 15 agencies under section 602.
- 16 (b) Website.—Not later than 180 days after the
- 17 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall publish,
- 18 on a publicly accessible website of the Department of Edu-
- 19 cation, instructions describing how a State may receive an
- 20 allocation under this section.
- 21 SEC. 602. GRANTS TO LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES.
- 22 (a) In General.—From the amounts allocated to a
- 23 State under section 601(a) and contributed by the State
- 24 under subsection (e)(2), the State shall award grants to
- 25 local educational agencies—

1	(1) to pay the future costs of repairing concrete
2	school foundations damaged by the presence of
3	pyrrhotite; or
4	(2) to reimburse such agencies for costs in
5	curred by the agencies in making such repairs in the
6	five-year period preceding the date of enactment of
7	this Act.
8	(b) Local Educational Agency Eligibility.—
9	(1) Eligibility for grants for future re-
10	PAIRS.—To be eligible to receive a grant under sub-
11	section (a)(1), a local educational agency shall—
12	(A) with respect to each school for which
13	the agency seeks to use grant funds, dem-
14	onstrate to the State that—
15	(i) the school is a pyrrhotite-affected
16	school; and
17	(ii) any laboratory tests, core tests
18	and visual inspections of the school's foun-
19	dation used to determine that the school is
20	a pyrrhotite-affected school were con-
21	ducted—
22	(I) by a professional engineer li-
23	censed in the State in which the
24	school is located; and

1	(II) in accordance with applicable
2	State standards or standards ap-
3	proved by any independent, nonprofit,
4	or private entity authorized by the
5	State to oversee construction, testing,
6	or financial relief efforts for damaged
7	building foundations; and
8	(B) provide an assurance that—
9	(i) the local educational agency will
10	use the grant only for the allowable uses
11	described in subsection $(f)(1)$; and
12	(ii) all work funded with the grant
13	will be conducted by a qualified contractor
14	or architect licensed in the State.
15	(2) Eligibility for reimbursement
16	GRANTS.—To be eligible to receive a grant under
17	subsection (a)(2), a local educational agency shall
18	demonstrate that it met the requirements of para-
19	graph (1) at the time it carried out the project for
20	which the agency seeks reimbursement.
21	(c) Application.—
22	(1) In general.—A local educational agency
23	that seeks a grant under this section shall submit to
24	the State an application at such time, in such man-
25	ner, and containing such information as the State

1	may require, which upon approval by the State
2	under subsection (d)(1)(A), the State shall submit to
3	the Secretary for approval under subsection
4	(d)(1)(B).
5	(2) Contents.—At minimum, each application
6	shall include—
7	(A) information and documentation suffi-
8	cient to enable the State to determine if the
9	local educational agency meets the eligibility
10	criteria under subsection (b);
11	(B) in the case of an agency seeking a
12	grant under subsection (a)(1), an estimate of
13	the costs of carrying out the activities described
14	in subsection (f);
15	(C) in the case of an agency seeking a
16	grant under subsection (a)(2)—
17	(i) an itemized explanation of—
18	(I) the costs incurred by the
19	agency in carrying out any activities
20	described subsection (f);
21	(II) any amounts contributed
22	from other Federal, State, local, or
23	private sources for such activities; and

1	(ii) the amount for which the local
2	educational agency seeks reimbursement;
3	and
4	(D) the percentage of any costs described
5	in subparagraph (B) or (C) that are covered by
6	an insurance policy.
7	(d) Approval and Disbursement.—
8	(1) Approval.—
9	(A) STATE.—The State shall approve, for
10	submission to the Secretary, the application of
11	each local educational agency that—
12	(i) submits a complete and correct ap-
13	plication under subsection (c); and
14	(ii) meets the criteria for eligibility
15	under subsection (b).
16	(B) Secretary.—Not later than 60 days
17	after receiving an application of a local edu-
18	cational agency submitted by a State under
19	subsection (c)(1), the Secretary shall—
20	(i) approve such application, in a case
21	in which the Secretary determines that
22	such application meets the requirements of
23	subparagraph (A); or

1	(ii) deny such application, in the case
2	of an application that does not meet such
3	requirements.
4	(2) Disbursement.—
5	(A) Allocation.—The Secretary shall
6	disburse an allocation to a State not later than
7	60 days after the date on which the Secretary
8	approves an application under paragraph
9	(1)(B).
10	(B) Grant.—The State shall disburse
11	grant funds to a local educational agency not
12	later than 60 days after the date on which the
13	State receives an allocation under subparagraph
14	(A).
15	(e) Federal and State Share.—
16	(1) Federal share of
17	each grant under this section shall be an amount
18	that is not more than 50 percent of the total cost
19	of the project for which the grant is awarded.
20	(2) State share.—
21	(A) In General.—Subject to subpara-
22	graph (B), the State share of each grant under
23	this section shall be an amount that is not less
24	than 40 percent of the total cost of the project

1	for which the grant is awarded, which the State
2	shall contribute from non-Federal sources.
3	(B) Special rule for reimbursement
4	GRANTS.—In the case of a reimbursement gran-
5	made to a local educational agency under sub
6	section (a)(2), a State shall be treated as meet
7	ing the requirement of subparagraph (A) if the
8	State demonstrates that it contributed, from
9	non-Federal sources, not less than 40 percen-
10	of the total cost of the project for which the re
11	imbursement grant is awarded.
12	(f) Uses of Funds.—
13	(1) Allowable uses of funds.—A local edu
14	cational agency that receives a grant under this sec
15	tion shall use such grant only for costs associated
16	with—
17	(A) the repair or replacement of the con
18	crete foundation or other affected areas of a
19	pyrrhotite-affected school in the jurisdiction of
20	such agency to the extent necessary—
21	(i) to restore the structural integrity
22	of the school to the safety and health
23	standards established by the professiona
24	licensed engineer or architect associated

with the project; and

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1	(ii) to restore the school to the condi-
2	tion it was in before the school's founda-
3	tion was damaged due to the presence of
4	pyrrhotite; and
5	(B) engineering reports, architectural de-
6	sign, core tests, and other activities directly re-
7	lated to the repair or replacement project.
8	(2) Prohibited uses of funds.—A local edu-
9	cational agency that receives a grant under this sec-
10	tion may not use the grant for any costs associated
11	with—
12	(A) work done to outbuildings, sheds, or
13	barns, swimming pools (whether in-ground or
14	above-ground), playgrounds or ballfields, or any
15	ponds or water features;
16	(B) the purchase of items not directly as-
17	sociated with the repair or replacement of the
18	school building or its systems, including items
19	such as desks, chairs, electronics, sports equip-
20	ment, or other school supplies; or
21	(C) any other activities not described in
22	paragraph (1).
23	(g) Limitation.—A local educational agency may
24	not, for the same project, receive a grant under both—
25	(1) this section; and

1	(2) title I.
2	SEC. 603. DEFINITIONS.
3	In this title:
4	(1) Pyrrhotite-affected school.—The
5	term "pyrrhotite-affected school" means an elemen-
6	tary school or a secondary school that meets the fol-
7	lowing criteria:
8	(A) The school has a concrete foundation.
9	(B) Pyrrhotite is present in the school's
10	concrete foundation, as demonstrated by a
11	petrographic or other type of laboratory core
12	analysis or core inspection.
13	(C) A visual inspection of the school's con-
14	crete foundation indicates that the presence of
15	pyrrhotite is causing the foundation to deterio-
16	rate at an unsafe rate.
17	(D) A qualified engineer determined that
18	the deterioration of the school's foundation, due
19	to the presence of pyrrhotite—
20	(i) caused the school to become struc-
21	turally unsound; or
22	(ii) will result in the school becoming
23	structurally unsound within the next five
24	years.

1 (2)QUALIFIED CONTRACTOR.—The term 2 "qualified contractor" means a contractor who is 3 qualified under State law, or approved by any State 4 agency or other State-sanctioned independent or 5 nonprofit entity, to repair or replace residential or 6 commercial building foundations that are deteriorating due to the presence of pyrrhotite. 7

8 SEC. 604. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

9 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out 10 this title such sums as may be necessary for fiscal year 11 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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