

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 939

AN ACT

To establish limitations regarding Confucius Institutes, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Concerns Over Nations
3 Funding University Campus Institutes in the United
4 States Act” or the “CONFUCIUS Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. RESTRICTIONS ON CONFUCIUS INSTITUTES.**

6 (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “Confu-
7 cius Institute” means a cultural institute directly or indi-
8 rectly funded by the Government of the People’s Republic
9 of China.

10 (b) RESTRICTIONS ON CONFUCIUS INSTITUTES.—An
11 institution of higher education or other postsecondary edu-
12 cational institution (referred to in this section as an “insti-
13 tution”) shall not be eligible to receive Federal funds from
14 the Department of Education (except funds under title IV
15 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070
16 et seq.) or other Department of Education funds that are
17 provided directly to students) unless the institution en-
18 sures that any contract or agreement between the institu-
19 tion and a Confucius Institute includes clear provisions
20 that—

21 (1) protect academic freedom at the institution;

22 (2) prohibit the application of any foreign law
23 on any campus of the institution; and

24 (3) grant full managerial authority of the Con-
25 fucius Institute to the institution, including full con-
26 trol over what is being taught, the activities carried

1 out, the research grants that are made, and who is
2 employed at the Confucius Institute.

Passed the Senate June 10, 2020.

Attest:

Secretary.

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