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# H. R. 6493

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prevent certain alcohol and substance misuse.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ (for herself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. TRONE, Mr. GUEST, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. MCBATH) 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 prevent certain alcohol and substance misuse.

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 “Campus Prevention  
5 and Recovery Services for Students Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION.**

7 Section 120 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20  
8 U.S.C. 1011i) is amended—

1 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**DRUG**  
2 **AND ALCOHOL ABUSE**” and inserting “**ALCOHOL**  
3 **AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE**”;

4 (2) in subsection (a)—

5 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
6 by striking “a program to prevent the use of il-  
7 licit drugs and the abuse of alcohol by students  
8 and employees that,” and inserting “an evi-  
9 dence-based program to prevent alcohol and  
10 substance misuse by students and employees  
11 that,”;

12 (B) by amending paragraph (1)(D) to read  
13 as follows:

14 “(D) a description of any alcohol or sub-  
15 stance misuse counseling, treatment, rehabilita-  
16 tion, recovery, re-entry, or recovery support  
17 programs provided by the institution (including  
18 in partnership with a community-based organi-  
19 zation) that are available to employees or stu-  
20 dents; and”;

21 (C) in paragraph (1)(E), by striking “that  
22 the institution will impose” and inserting “of  
23 the policies of the institution regarding”;

24 (3) in subsection (c)—

25 (A) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by striking “and” at the end of  
2 subparagraph (A);

3 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
4 the period and inserting “; and”; and

5 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
6 lowing:

7 “(C) compliance assistance to assist insti-  
8 tutions in complying with the requirements of  
9 this section.”;

10 (B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as  
11 paragraph (4); and

12 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
13 following:

14 “(2) INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT.—Not later  
15 than 180 days after the date of enactment of this  
16 paragraph, the Secretary shall enter into an inter-  
17 agency agreement with the Secretary of Health and  
18 Human Services to—

19 “(A) determine criteria that satisfy the re-  
20 quirement under subsection (a) that an institu-  
21 tion of higher education has adopted and has  
22 implemented an evidence-based program de-  
23 scribed in such subsection;

1           “(B) establish a process for disseminating  
2           the best practices for adopting and imple-  
3           menting such an evidence-based program; and

4           “(C) establish a process that promotes co-  
5           ordination and collaboration between institu-  
6           tions of higher education and the respective  
7           State agencies that administer the Substance  
8           Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grants  
9           pursuant to subpart II of part B of title XIX  
10          of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.  
11          300x-21).

12          “(3) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 1 year after  
13          the date of the enactment of this paragraph, the  
14          Secretary shall, in coordination with the Secretary of  
15          Health and Human Services, issue guidance with re-  
16          spect to the criteria described in paragraph (2)(A).”;  
17          and

18          (4) in subsection (e)—

19                  (A) in the subsection heading, by striking  
20                  “**DRUG ABUSE**” in the heading and inserting  
21                  “**SUBSTANCE MISUSE**”;

22                  (B) in paragraph (1)—

23                          (i) by striking “other organizations”  
24                          and inserting “community-based organiza-

1           tions that partner with institutions of high-  
2           er education”;

3           (ii) by striking “programs of preven-  
4           tion, and education (including treatment-  
5           referral) to reduce and eliminate the illegal  
6           use of drugs and alcohol and the violence  
7           associated with such use” and inserting  
8           “evidence-based programs of alcohol and  
9           substance misuse prevention and education  
10          (including programs to improve access to  
11          treatment, referral for treatment services,  
12          or crisis intervention services) to eliminate  
13          illegal substance use, decrease substance  
14          misuse, and improve public health and  
15          safety”; and

16          (iii) by striking “alcohol and drug  
17          abuse” and inserting “substance use dis-  
18          order”;

19          (C) by redesignating paragraphs (2)  
20          through (5) as paragraphs (3) through (6), re-  
21          spectively; and

22          (D) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
23          following:

24                 “(2) ADDITIONAL USES.—In addition to the ac-  
25                 tivities described in paragraph (1), a grant or con-

1 tract awarded under paragraph (1) may be used to  
2 carry out one or more of the following evidence-  
3 based programs or activities:

4 “(A) Providing programs for recovery sup-  
5 port services, and peer-to-peer support services  
6 and counseling for students with a substance  
7 use disorder.

8 “(B) Promoting integration and collabora-  
9 tion in campus-based health services between  
10 primary care, substance use disorder services,  
11 and mental health services.

12 “(C) Promoting integrated care services  
13 for students related to screening, diagnosis, pre-  
14 vention, and treatment of mental, behavioral,  
15 and substance use disorders.

16 “(D) Providing re-entry assistance for stu-  
17 dents on academic probation due to their sub-  
18 stance use disorder.

19 “(E) Preventing fatal and nonfatal overdo-  
20 ses.

21 “(F) Providing education to students, fac-  
22 ulty, or other personnel on—

23 “(i) recognizing the signs and symp-  
24 toms of substance use disorder, and how to

1 engage and support a person in a crisis sit-  
2 uation;

3 “(ii) resources available in the com-  
4 munity, within the institution of higher  
5 education, and other relevant resources for  
6 individuals with a substance use disorder;  
7 and

8 “(iii) safely de-escalating crisis situa-  
9 tions involving individuals with a substance  
10 use disorder.”; and

11 (E) by amending paragraph (6), as reded-  
12 icated by subparagraph (C), to read as fol-  
13 lows:

14 “(6) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
15 There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
16 this section \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2023 and  
17 each of the 5 succeeding fiscal years.”.

18 **SEC. 3. PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS.**

19 Section 487(a)(10) of the Higher Education Act of  
20 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1094(a)(10)) is amended by striking “a  
21 drug abuse prevention program” and inserting “an alcohol  
22 and substance misuse prevention program in accordance  
23 with section 120”.

1 **SEC. 4. APPLICABILITY.**

2       The amendments made by section 2(2) shall apply  
3 to institutions of higher education beginning on the date  
4 that is 2 years after the date of the enactment of this  
5 Act.

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