

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7900
OFFERED BY MS. STEFANIK OF NEW YORK

At the appropriate place in title V, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 5 ____ . RIGHTS OF PARENTS OF CHILDREN ATTENDING**
2 **SCHOOLS OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT**
3 **OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 108 of title 10, United
5 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 2164
6 the following new section:

7 **“§ 2164a. Rights of parents of children attending**
8 **schools operated by the Department of**
9 **Defense Education Activity**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The parent of a child who at-
11 tends a school operated by the Department of Defense
12 Education Activity has the following rights:

13 “(1) The right to review the curriculum of the
14 school.

15 “(2) The right to be informed if the school or
16 Department of Defense Education Activity alters the
17 school’s academic standards or learning benchmarks.

1 “(3) The right to meet with each teacher of
2 their child not less than twice during each school
3 year.

4 “(4) The right to review the budget, including
5 all revenues and expenditures, of the school.

6 “(5) The right to review all instructional mate-
7 rials and teacher professional development materials
8 used by the school.

9 “(6) The right to inspect a list of the books and
10 other reading materials contained in the library of
11 the school.

12 “(7) The right to address the school advisory
13 committee or the school board.

14 “(8) The right to information about the school’s
15 discipline policy and any violent activity in the
16 school.

17 “(9) The right to information about any plans
18 to eliminate gifted and talented programs or acceler-
19 ated coursework at the school.

20 “(b) DISCLOSURES AND NOTIFICATIONS.—Con-
21 sistent with the parental rights specified in subsection (a),
22 a school operated by the Department of Defense Edu-
23 cation Activity shall—

24 “(1) post on a publicly accessible website of the
25 school—

1 “(A) the curriculum for each course and
2 grade level;

3 “(B) the academic standards or other
4 learning benchmarks used by the school;

5 “(C) notice of any proposed revisions to
6 such standards or benchmarks and a copy of
7 any such revisions;

8 “(D) the budget for the school year, in-
9 cluding all revenues and expenditures (including
10 expenditures made for items and services pro-
11 vided by private entities); and

12 “(2) provide the parents of a child attending
13 the school with—

14 “(A) the opportunity to meet in-person
15 with each teacher of their child not less fre-
16 quently than twice during each school year at a
17 time mutually agreed upon by both parties; and

18 “(B) notice of such opportunity at the be-
19 ginning of each school year;

20 “(3) make all instructional and educator profes-
21 sional development materials, including teachers’
22 manuals, films, tapes, books or other reading mate-
23 rials, or other supplementary materials used in any
24 survey, analysis, or evaluation, available for inspec-
25 tion by the parents of children attending the school;

1 “(4) at the beginning of each school year, pro-
2 vide parents a list of reading materials in the school
3 library, including a list of any reading materials that
4 were added to or removed from the list of materials
5 from the prior year;

6 “(5) notify parents in a timely manner of any
7 plans to eliminate gifted and talented programs or
8 accelerated coursework at the school;

9 “(6) except as provided in paragraph (7), notify
10 parents of any medical examinations or screenings
11 the school may administer to their child and receive
12 written consent from parents for any such examina-
13 tion or screening prior to conducting the examina-
14 tion or screening;

15 “(7) in the event of an emergency that requires
16 a medical examination or screening without time for
17 parental notification, promptly notify parents of
18 such examination or screening and, not later than
19 24 hours after the incident occurs, provide an expla-
20 nation of the emergency that prevented notification
21 prior to such examination or screening;

22 “(8) notify parents of any medical information
23 that will be collected on their child, receive written
24 parental consent prior to collecting such information,

1 and provide parents an opportunity to inspect such
2 information at the parent's request; and

3 “(9) notify parents of any policy changes involv-
4 ing their reporting obligations under the Family Ad-
5 vocacy Program of the Department of Defense.

6 “(c) SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND
7 BOARDS.—Not less frequently than twice per year, a
8 school advisory committee or school board for a school op-
9 erated by the Department of Defense Education Activity
10 shall provide parents of children attending the school with
11 the opportunity to address the advisory committee or
12 school board on any matters relating to the school or the
13 educational services provided to their children.

14 “(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘school
15 operated by the Department of Defense Education Activ-
16 ity’ means—

17 “(1) a Department of Defense domestic depend-
18 ent elementary or secondary school, as described in
19 section 2164 of this title; or

20 “(2) any elementary or secondary school or pro-
21 gram for dependents operated by the Department of
22 Defense Education Activity.”.

23 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
24 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by inserting

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- 1 after the item relating to section 2164 the following new
- 2 item:

“2164a. Rights of parents of children attending schools operated by the Department of Defense Education Activity.”.

