AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 6914

OFFERED BY MRS. MILLER OF ILLINOIS

(The Pregnant Students' Rights Act)

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "Pregnant Students'
- 3 Rights Act".
- 4 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 5 Congress finds the following:
- 6 (1) Female students enrolled at institutions of
- 7 higher education and experiencing an unplanned
- 8 pregnancy may face pressure that their only option
- 9 is to receive an abortion or risk academic failure.
- 10 (2) Almost 30 percent of all abortions in the
- 11 United States are performed on women of college
- age, between the ages of 20 and 24, according to a
- 13 2021 report by the Centers for Disease Control and
- 14 Prevention.
- 15 (3) A significant proportion of abortions in the
- United States are performed on women of college
- age who may be unaware of their rights to accom-

1	modation and prohibitions against discrimination
2	due to pregnancy under title IX of the Education
3	Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) or
4	deprived of information about abortion alternatives.
5	(4) Additionally, women on college campuses
6	may fear institutional reprisal, loss of athletic schol-
7	arship, and possible negative impact on academic op-
8	portunities during the pregnancy and after child-
9	birth.
10	(5) An academic disparity exists because of the
11	lack of resources, support, and notifications available
12	for female college students who do not wish to re-
13	ceive an abortion or who carry their unborn babies
14	to term.
15	SEC. 3. NOTICE OF PREGNANT STUDENT RIGHTS, ACCOM-
16	MODATIONS, AND RESOURCES.
17	Section 485 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
18	U.S.C. 1092) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
19	lowing:
20	"(n) Pregnant Students' Rights, Accommoda-
21	TIONS, AND RESOURCES.—
22	"(1) In general.—Each institution of higher
23	education participating in any program under this
24	title shall carry out the information dissemination
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1	and enrolled students (including those attending or
2	planning to attend less than full time) regarding the
3	information described in paragraph (2) on the rights
4	to, and resources (including protections and accom-
5	modations) for, pregnant students to carry a baby to
6	term and students who may become pregnant while
7	enrolled at such institution of higher education to
8	carry a baby to term.
9	"(2) Information content.—The informa-
10	tion described in this paragraph is the following:
11	"(A) A list of resources on campus and in
12	the community that exist to help a pregnant
13	student in carrying the baby to term and caring
14	for the baby after birth.
15	"(B) Information about the accommoda-
16	tions available to help a pregnant student carry
17	the baby to term and parent the baby after
18	birth.
19	"(C) Information on how to file a com-
20	plaint with—
21	"(i) the Department of Education, if
22	a student believes there was a violation by
23	the institution of title IX of the Education
24	Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et

1	seq.) on account of such student's deter-
2	mination to carry a baby to term; and
3	"(ii) the institution, if a student be-
4	lieves the student has been discriminated
5	against in violation of such title IX on ac-
6	count of the student's determination to
7	carry a baby to term.
8	"(3) Information dissemination activi-
9	TIES.—The information dissemination activities de-
10	scribed in this paragraph shall include—
11	"(A) an email to each enrolled student at
12	the start of each period of study during an aca-
13	demic year; and
14	"(B) the provision of information—
15	"(i) in student handbooks, if any;
16	"(ii) at each orientation for enrolled
17	students;
18	"(iii) at student health or counseling
19	centers, if any; and
20	"(iv) on the publicly available website
21	of the institution of higher education.
22	"(4) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in
23	this subsection shall be construed to authorize the
24	Secretary to require the dissemination of additional
25	information, or establish additional rights, beyond

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- 1 the information and rights included in this sub-
- 2 section.".

