

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 7894**

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Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Truman Scholarship
3 Clean House Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 Section 3 of the Harry S Truman Memorial Scholar-
6 ship Act (20 U.S.C. 2002) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through
8 (6) as paragraphs (2) through (7), respectively; and

9 (2) by inserting before paragraph (2), as so re-
10 designated, the following:

11 “(1) ‘affiliated with’, when used with respect to
12 an individual’s relationship to a certain political
13 party, means that the individual—

14 “(A) is a registered member of that polit-
15 ical party;

16 “(B) is a current or former holder of elect-
17 ed public office from that political party;

1 “(C) is a current or former candidate for
2 public office from that political party;

3 “(D) is a current or former political ap-
4 pointee associated with that political party;

5 “(E) is a current staffer of—

6 “(i) a holder of elected public office
7 from that political party;

8 “(ii) a candidate of that political
9 party; or

10 “(iii) a fundraising organization for
11 such members or candidates; or

12 “(F) is a current or former judicial ap-
13 pointee nominated or otherwise selected by a
14 holder of elected public office from that political
15 party.”.

16 **SEC. 3. HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION.**

17 (a) BOARD OF TRUSTEES.—Section 5 of the Harry
18 S Truman Memorial Scholarship Act (20 U.S.C. 2004)
19 is amended—

20 (1) in subsection (b)—

21 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “The
22 Board shall be composed of” and all that fol-
23 lows through the end of subparagraph (D); and

24 (B) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(2) The Board shall be composed of 13 members,
2 as follows:

3 “(A) One member appointed by the Speaker of
4 the House of Representatives.

5 “(B) One member appointed by the minority
6 leader of the House of Representatives.

7 “(C) One member appointed by the majority
8 leader of the Senate.

9 “(D) One member appointed by the minority
10 leader of the Senate.

11 “(E) Eight members, not more than four of
12 whom may be affiliated with the same political party
13 at the time of appointment, to be appointed by the
14 President with the advice and consent of the Senate.

15 “(F) The Secretary of Education or the Sec-
16 retary’s designee, who shall serve ex officio as a
17 member of the Board, but shall not be eligible to
18 serve as Chairperson.”;

19 (2) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-
20 lows:

21 “(c)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the term
22 of office of each member of the Board (other than Sec-
23 retary of Education or the Secretary’s designee serving ex
24 officio) shall be six years.

1 “(2) As designated by the President at the time of
2 appointment, of the members first appointed under sub-
3 section (b)(2)(E) after the date of enactment of this para-
4 graph—

5 “(A) three shall be appointed for terms of two
6 years;

7 “(B) three shall be appointed for terms of four
8 years; and

9 “(C) two shall be appointed for terms of six
10 years.

11 “(3) Any member of the Board appointed to fill a
12 vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for
13 which the member’s predecessor was appointed, and shall
14 be appointed in the same manner as the original appoint-
15 ment for that vacancy was made.

16 “(4) No member of the Board (other than the Sec-
17 retary of Education or the Secretary’s designee serving ex
18 officio) may serve more than two six-year terms, regard-
19 less of whether the terms are consecutive. A member de-
20 scribed in subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (2) who
21 serves an initial term of less than six years, may serve
22 up to two additional six-year terms following the expira-
23 tion of such member’s initial term.”; and

24 (3) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(e) Seven members of the Board shall constitute a
2 quorum.”.

3 (b) TRANSITION AND IMPLEMENTATION.—

4 (1) DISSOLUTION OF EXISTING BOARD OF
5 TRUSTEES.—Effective on the date that is 90 days
6 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Board
7 of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship
8 Foundation (as established under section 5 of the
9 Harry S Truman Memorial Scholarship Act (20
10 U.S.C. 2004)) is dissolved and all members of the
11 Board are terminated.

12 (2) APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBERS.—As
13 soon as practicable after the effective date specified
14 in paragraph (1), new members shall be appointed
15 to the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman
16 Scholarship Foundation in accordance with section 5
17 of the Harry S Truman Memorial Scholarship Act
18 (20 U.S.C. 2004), as amended by subsection (a).

19 **SEC. 4. SELECTION OF TRUMAN SCHOLARS.**

20 Section 7 of the Harry S Truman Memorial Scholar-
21 ship Act (20 U.S.C. 2006) is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (b)—

23 (A) by inserting “the eligibility require-
24 ments described in subsection (c) and” before
25 “minimum criteria”; and

1 (B) by inserting “in accordance with sub-
2 section (d)(4)” before the period at the end;

3 (2) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(c) A student is eligible to be nominated for a schol-
5 arship under this Act if such student—

6 “(1) is—

7 “(A) a full-time undergraduate student en-
8 rolled at an institution of higher education who
9 will receive a bachelor’s degree in the academic
10 year following the academic year in which the
11 student is applying for a scholarship; or

12 “(B) a full-time senior level student from
13 the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or from The
14 Islands (as defined in section 1801.2(b) of title
15 45, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on
16 the date of the enactment of this subsection));

17 “(2) is enrolled in a course of study that quali-
18 fies the student for admission to a graduate pro-
19 gram leading to a career in public service;

20 “(3) has a demonstrated record of academic ex-
21 cellence; and

22 “(4) is a citizen or national of the United
23 States or a permanent resident of the Common-
24 wealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

1 “(d) (1) The Foundation shall establish and maintain
2 Regional Review Panels for purposes of carrying out sub-
3 section (a).

4 “(2) Each Regional Review Panel shall be responsible
5 for selecting scholarship recipients from one or more
6 States assigned to the Panel by the Board.

7 “(3)(A) Each Regional Review Panel shall consist of
8 not fewer than five members, each of whom shall be ap-
9 pointed on an annual basis by an affirmative vote of not
10 less than two-thirds of the members of the Board.

11 “(B) Not more than half of the members of a Re-
12 gional Review Panel may be affiliated with the same polit-
13 ical party at the time of appointment.

14 “(4) In selecting students to be scholarship recipients
15 under this Act, each Regional Review Panel—

16 “(A) shall select students based on—

17 “(i) the extent and quality of community service
18 and government involvement of the student;

19 “(ii) the leadership record of the student;

20 “(iii) the academic performance of the student,
21 including with respect to and writing and analytical
22 skills; and

23 “(iv) the suitability and appropriateness of the
24 student’s proposed graduate program of study for a
25 career in public service;

1 “(B) shall not select any student who—

2 “(i) served as a leader, officer, director, or or-
3 ganizer of a student organization recognized by the
4 institution of higher education at which the student
5 is enrolled at time of an incident or conduct that led
6 to the suspension or expulsion of such organization
7 from such institution;

8 “(ii) has been suspended or expelled by an insti-
9 tution of higher education due to a violation of such
10 institution’s code of conduct or other disciplinary ac-
11 tion by such institution; or

12 “(iii) has been convicted by any Federal, State,
13 or local court of competent jurisdiction of a felony;
14 and

15 “(C) may not disfavor or otherwise apply adverse con-
16 siderations to a student because the student intends to
17 pursue a particular type of graduate degree, including
18 with respect to a Master of Business Administration de-
19 gree or Doctor of Medicine degree.”.

20 **SEC. 5. TERMINATION OF TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP.**

21 Section 9 of the Harry S Truman Memorial Scholar-
22 ship Act (20 U.S.C. 2008) is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting “in accord-
24 ance with subsection (c) and” after “provided in this
25 Act”; and

1 (2) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(c)(1) In accordance with paragraph (2), a student
3 awarded a scholarship under the provisions of this Act
4 may not continue to receive the payments provided in this
5 Act if, at any point after the date on which the scholarship
6 is received, the student—

7 “(A) with respect to a report or request re-
8 quired by the Foundation—

9 “(i) fails to submit such a report or re-
10 quest; or

11 “(ii) provides false, misleading, or materi-
12 ally incomplete information on any such report
13 or request;

14 “(B) fails to begin use of the scholarship within
15 four years of the date of receipt of a bachelor’s de-
16 gree, unless granted an extension in writing by the
17 Foundation;

18 “(C) serves as a leader, officer, director, or or-
19 ganizer of a student organization recognized by the
20 institution of higher education at which the student
21 is enrolled at time of an incident or conduct that
22 leads to the suspension or expulsion of such organi-
23 zation from such institution;

24 “(D) is suspended or expelled by the institution
25 of higher education at which the student is enrolled

1 due to a violation of the institution’s code of conduct
2 or other disciplinary action by the institution; or

3 “(E) is convicted by any Federal, State, or local
4 court of competent jurisdiction of a felony.

5 “(2)(A) The Foundation may not stop the payments
6 provided in this Act without first affording the student—

7 “(i) reasonable notice, which shall include the
8 reason for stopping such payments identified under
9 subsection (a) or subsection (c)(1) and any addi-
10 tional relevant information, as determined by the
11 Foundation; and

12 “(ii) opportunity for a hearing.

13 “(B) If the Foundation, after reasonable notice and
14 opportunity for hearing, finds that a student does not
15 meet the conditions of receiving payment in accordance
16 with subsection (a) or subsection (c)(1), the Foundation
17 shall—

18 “(i) stop the payments provided in this Act for
19 such student; and

20 “(ii) provide written notice to such student,
21 which shall include the reason for stopping such pay-
22 ments identified under subsection (a) or subsection
23 (c)(1) and any additional relevant information, as
24 determined by the Foundation.

1 “(d) A student whose payments are stopped pursuant
2 to subsection (a) or subsection (c)(1) or an individual who
3 fails to be employed in public service for three out of the
4 first seven years of employment following completion of
5 the graduate degree for which the individual used such
6 payments shall repay to the Foundation an amount equal
7 to the sum of—

8 “(1) the total amount of payments provided in
9 this Act to such student; and

10 “(2) interest at the rate of 6 percent per
11 annum on the total amount described in paragraph
12 (1).

13 “(e) The Foundation shall ensure all scholarship re-
14 cipients are notified of the conditions that apply to receiv-
15 ing payments provided in this Act as described in this sec-
16 tion, prior to the date of the first such payment.”.

17 **SEC. 6. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF FOUNDATION.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 12 of the Harry S Tru-
19 man Memorial Scholarship Act (20 U.S.C. 2011) is
20 amended—

21 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “who shall be
22 appointed by the Board” and inserting “who shall be
23 appointed by an affirmative vote of not less than
24 two-thirds of the members of the Board”; and

25 (2) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(c) The Executive Secretary shall serve a term of
2 4 years and may be reappointed to up to two additional
3 terms of four years in accordance with subsection (a).”.

4 (b) APPOINTMENT.—Not later than 90 days after a
5 quorum of the members of the Board of Trustees of the
6 Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation have been ap-
7 pointed in accordance with section 3(b)(2) of this Act, the
8 Board shall appoint an Executive Secretary of the Foun-
9 dation in accordance with section 12 of the Harry S Tru-
10 man Memorial Scholarship Act (20 U.S.C. 2011), as
11 amended by subsection (a).

12 (c) SERVICE OF INCUMBENT.—The individual serving
13 as Executive Secretary of the Harry S Truman Scholar-
14 ship Foundation as of the date of enactment of this Act
15 may only continue serving in such position until the earlier
16 of—

17 (1) the date on which the Board of Trustees of
18 the Foundation appoints a new Executive Secretary
19 in accordance with subsection (b); or

20 (2) the expiration of the 90 day period begin-
21 ning on the date that a quorum of the members of
22 the Board have been appointed in accordance with
23 section 3(b)(2).

1 **SEC. 7. TRANSPARENCY PROVISIONS.**

2 Section 13 of the Harry S Truman Memorial Scholar-
3 ship Act (20 U.S.C. 2012) is amended by adding at the
4 end the following:

5 “(c)(1) The Foundation shall preserve in unaltered
6 format, and make available on a publicly accessible website
7 of the Foundation, the following materials of the Founda-
8 tion:

9 “(A) Press releases.

10 “(B) Program announcements.

11 “(C) Biographies of scholarship recipients.

12 “(2) The materials described in paragraph (1) may
13 not be deleted, hidden, or password-protected.

14 “(3) Any edits made to the materials described in
15 paragraph (1) after such materials were initially published
16 shall be clearly identified and, in a case in which an edit
17 has been made to such materials, a copy of the original,
18 unaltered materials shall remain available to the public on
19 a website of the Foundation.

20 “(4) The requirements of this subsection shall apply
21 to any materials published by the Foundation before, on,
22 or after the date of enactment of this subsection.”.

23 **SEC. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY.**

24 (a) **APPLICABILITY.**—This Act and the amendments
25 made by this Act shall apply only with respect to scholar-
26 ships awarded under the Harry S Truman Memorial

1 Scholarship Act (20 U.S.C. 2002) on or after the date
2 of enactment of this Act.

3 (b) TREATMENT OF PREVIOUSLY AWARDED SCHOL-
4 ARSHIPS.—Nothing in this Act or the amendments made
5 by this Act shall be construed to invalidate or revoke, or
6 alter the terms and conditions of, a scholarship that was
7 awarded under the Harry S Truman Memorial Scholar-
8 ship Act (20 U.S.C. 2002) before the date of enactment
9 of this Act. The Harry S Truman foundation shall take
10 such steps as may be necessary to continue to fund and
11 administer such previously awarded scholarships.

