

# Union Calendar No. 599

118<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 736

[Report No. 118-706]

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 2023

Mr. WALBERG introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Education and the Workforce

OCTOBER 1, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. DUNN of Florida, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mrs. McCLAIN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. SANTOS, and Mrs. HOUCHIN

OCTOBER 1, 2024

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole  
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italics]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 1, 2023]

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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 “Parental Rights Over*  
5 *The Education and Care of Their Kids Act” or the “PRO-*  
6 *TECT Kids Act”.*

7 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT RELATED TO GENDER MARKERS,**  
8                    **PRONOUNS, AND PREFERRED NAMES ON**  
9                    **SCHOOL FORMS.**

10        (a) *REQUIREMENT.*—*As a condition of receiving funds*  
11 *under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of*  
12 *1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), a public elementary school*  
13 *and secondary school that receives funds under such Act*  
14 *shall obtain parental consent before changing a covered stu-*  
15 *dent’s—*

16                    (1) *gender markers, pronouns, or preferred name*  
17 *on any school form; or*

18                    (2) *sex-based accommodations, including locker*  
19 *rooms or bathrooms.*

20        (b) *DEFINITIONS.*—*In this section:*

21                    (1) *COVERED STUDENT.*—*The term “covered stu-*  
22 *dent” means a minor who is—*

23                                    (A) *an elementary school student; or*

24                                    (B) *a student in any of the middle grades.*

1           (2) *ESEA TERMS.*—*The terms “elementary*  
2 *school”, “middle grades”, “parent”, and “secondary*  
3 *school” have the meanings given the terms in section*  
4 *8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education*  
5 *Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).*



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