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# H. R. 2726

To amend the Budget Control Act of 2011 to protect education programs from budget cuts under such Act.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 1, 2011

Ms. WILSON of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To amend the Budget Control Act of 2011 to protect education programs from budget cuts under such Act.

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 “Education Protection  
5 Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. NO EDUCATION CUTS.**

7 (a) NO CUTS THROUGH LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE OF  
8 THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Title IV of the Budget Con-  
2           trol Act of 2011 is amended by adding at the end  
3           the following new section:

4   **“SEC. 405. NO EDUCATION CUTS.**

5           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The joint committee shall not in-  
6           clude in its proposed legislative language submitted pursu-  
7           ant to section 401(b)(3)(B)(iv) any provision that reduces  
8           eligibility, payments, or benefits, or otherwise reduces out-  
9           lays or budget authority under—

10           “(1) the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9801 et  
11           seq.); or

12           “(2) any program administered by the Sec-  
13           retary of Education, including any program under—

14                   “(A) the Elementary and Secondary Edu-  
15                   cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.);

16                   “(B) the Individuals with Disabilities Edu-  
17                   cation Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.);

18                   “(C) the Higher Education Act of 1965  
19                   (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.); or

20                   “(D) the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29  
21                   U.S.C. 701 et seq.).

22           “(b) NO APPLICATION OF EXPEDITED PROCE-  
23           DURES.—If the joint committee bill includes a provision  
24           that violates subsection (a), the expedited procedures in  
25           section 402 shall not apply to such bill.”.

1           (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con-  
2           tents in section 1(b) of such Act is amended by in-  
3           serting after the item relating to section 404 the fol-  
4           lowing new item:

“Sec. 405. No education cuts.”.

5           (b) NO CUTS THROUGH FALLBACK SEQUESTRATION  
6           PROCESS.—Section 251A of the Balanced Budget and  
7           Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as inserted by  
8           section 302(a) of the Budget Control Act of 2011, is  
9           amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
10          graph:

11           “(12) NO CUTS FOR EDUCATION.—Notwith-  
12          standing any other provision of law, no sequestration  
13          order issued under this section or section 3101A of  
14          title 31, United States Code, or discretionary spend-  
15          ing limit made under this section shall reduce eligi-  
16          bility, payments, or benefits under any Act or pro-  
17          gram referred to in section 405(a) of the Budget  
18          Control Act of 2011.”.

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