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S. 3604

To prohibit Federal funds from being made available to any preschool, kindergarten, elementary school, or secondary school that has a face mask mandate.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 9, 2022

Mr. COTTON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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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 “Unmask Our Kids Act
5 of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO RESCIND SCHOOL FACE MASK**

7 **MANDATES TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDING.**

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “ele-
9 mentary school”, “local educational agency”, “Secretary”,

1 and “State educational agency” have the meanings given
2 the terms in section 8101 of the Elementary and Sec-
3 ondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

4 (b) REQUIREMENT TO RESCIND SCHOOL MASK MAN-
5 DATES TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDING.—No Federal
6 funds shall be made available to any preschool, kinder-
7 garten, elementary school, or secondary school that—

8 (1) mandates that students wear face masks
9 while on school grounds or engaged in school-spon-
10 sored activities; or

11 (2) limits participation in school activities for
12 students who voluntarily elect not to wear a face
13 mask on school grounds or while engaged in school-
14 sponsored activities.

15 (c) ENSURING COMPLIANCE.—The Secretary shall
16 require each application for Federal assistance submitted
17 to the Secretary by a State educational agency or local
18 educational agency to attest that all preschools, kinder-
19 gartens, elementary schools, and secondary schools receiv-
20 ing Federal funds served by the agency have rescinded any
21 face mask mandate.

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