

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5053

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to support innovative technology partnerships.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 15, 2018

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 “Coding Technology Im-
5 provements Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. SUPPORT OF INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY PARTNER-**
7 **SHIPS.**

8 Section 744(c) of the Higher Education Act of 1965
9 (20 U.S.C. 1138c(c)) is amended by adding at the end
10 the following:

1 “(7) Support of innovative technology partner-
2 ships, through grants to encourage increased innova-
3 tion in higher education programs that are offered
4 through partnerships between institutions of higher
5 education and nontraditional providers not tradition-
6 ally eligible to participate in title IV programs, and
7 that are approved by a quality assurance entity
8 (which meets the requirements for such an entity de-
9 scribed in the notice published in the Federal Reg-
10 ister by the Department of Education on October
11 15, 2015 (80 Fed. Reg. 62047 et seq.)), including
12 programs on coding, high-technology software, or
13 computer science. Such grants may be used to assist
14 in assessing whether such partnerships—

15 “(A) increase access to innovative and ef-
16 fective educational programs, particularly for
17 students from low-income backgrounds;

18 “(B) assess quality assurance processes
19 appropriate for the nontraditional providers and
20 programs described in this paragraph; and

21 “(C) identify ways to protect students and
22 taxpayers from risk, including lack of employ-
23 ment or increase of personal debt.”.

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