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To strengthen the national security through the expansion and improvement of foreign language study, and for other purposes.

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Mr. Holt introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Select Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select) and Armed Services, 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

A BILL

To strengthen the national security through the expansion and improvement of foreign language study, and for other purposes.

- 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 "National Security Lan-
- 5 guage Act".

1	SEC. 2. ENCOURAGING EARLY FOREIGN LANGUAGE IN-
2	STRUCTION.
3	Title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
4	U.S.C. 1121 et seq.) is amended—
5	(1) by redesignating part D as part E;
6	(2) by redesignating section 631 (20 U.S.C.
7	1132) as section 641; and
8	(3) by inserting after section 628 the following
9	new part:
10	"PART D—EARLY FOREIGN LANGUAGE
11	INSTRUCTION
12	"SEC. 631. EARLY FOREIGN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION.
13	"(a) Definitions.—In this section:
14	"(1) Eligible partnership.—The term 'eligi-
15	ble partnership' means a partnership that—
16	"(A) shall include—
17	"(i) a foreign language department of
18	an institution of higher education; and
19	"(ii) a local educational agency; and
20	"(B) may include—
21	"(i) another foreign language or
22	teacher training department of an institu-
23	tion of higher education;
24	"(ii) another local educational agency,
25	or an elementary or secondary school;
26	"(iii) a business;

1	"(iv) a nonprofit organization of dem-
2	onstrated effectiveness, including a mu-
3	seum;
4	"(v) heritage or community centers
5	for language study;
6	"(vi) language resource centers; or
7	"(vii) the State foreign language coor-
8	dinator or State educational agency.
9	"(2) High-need local educational agen-
10	CY.—The term 'high-need local educational agency'
11	has the meaning given the term in section 2102 of
12	the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
13	1965 (20 U.S.C. 6602).
14	"(3) Less-commonly taught foreign lan-
15	GUAGES.—The term 'less-commonly taught foreign
16	languages' includes the languages of Arabic, Korean,
17	Chinese, Pashto, Persian-Farsi, Serbian-Croatian,
18	Japanese, Russian, Portuguese, and any other lan-
19	guage identified by the Secretary of Education, in
20	consultation with the Defense Language Institute,
21	the Foreign Service Institute, and the National Se-
22	curity Education Program, as a foreign language
23	critical to the national security of the United States.
24	"(4) Summer workshop or institute.—The
25	term 'summer workshop or institute' means a work-

1	shop or institute, conducted during the summer,
2	that—
3	"(A) is conducted for a period of not less
4	than 2 weeks;
5	"(B) provides for a program that provides
6	direct interaction between students and faculty;
7	and
8	"(C) provides for follow-up training during
9	the academic year that—
10	"(i) except as provided in clause (ii)
11	or (iii), shall be conducted in the classroom
12	for a period of not less than 3 days, which
13	may or may not be consecutive;
14	"(ii) if the program described in sub-
15	paragraph (B) is for a period of not more
16	than 2 weeks, shall be conducted for a pe-
17	riod of more than 3 days; or
18	"(iii) if the program is for teachers in
19	rural school districts, may be conducted
20	through distance education.
21	"(b) Purpose.—The purpose of this section is to im-
22	prove the performance of students in the study of foreign
23	languages by encouraging States, institutions of higher
24	education, elementary schools, and secondary schools to
25	participate in programs that—

1	"(1) upgrade the status and stature of foreign
2	language teaching by encouraging institutions of
3	higher education to assume greater responsibility for
4	improving foreign language teacher education
5	through the establishment of a comprehensive, inte-
6	grated system of recruiting and advising such teach-
7	ers;
8	"(2) focus on education of foreign language
9	teachers as a career-long process that should con-
10	tinuously stimulate teachers' intellectual growth and
11	upgrade teachers' knowledge and skills;
12	"(3) bring foreign language teachers in elemen-
13	tary schools and secondary schools together with lin-
14	guists or higher education foreign language profes-
15	sionals to increase the subject matter knowledge and
16	improve the teaching skills of teachers through the
17	use of more sophisticated resources that institutions
18	of higher education are better able to provide than
19	the schools; and
20	"(4) develop more rigorous foreign language
21	curricula that are aligned with—
22	"(A) professionally accepted standards for

elementary and secondary education instruction;

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1	"(B) the standards expected for post-sec-
2	ondary study in foreign language.
3	"(c) Grants to Partnerships.—
4	"(1) In General.—The Secretary may award
5	grants, on a competitive basis, to eligible partner-
6	ships to enable the eligible partnerships to pay the
7	Federal share of the costs of carrying out the au-
8	thorized activities described in this section.
9	"(2) Duration.—The Secretary shall award
10	grants under this section for a period of 5 years.
11	"(3) Federal share.—The Federal share of
12	the costs of the activities assisted under this section
13	shall be—
14	"(A) 75 percent of the costs for the first
15	year that an eligible partnership receives a
16	grant payment under this section;
17	"(B) 65 percent of such costs for the sec-
18	ond such year; and
19	"(C) 50 percent of such costs for each of
20	the third, fourth, and fifth such years.
21	"(4) Non-federal share.—The non-Federal
22	share of the costs of carrying out the authorized ac-
23	tivities described in this section may be provided in
24	cash or in kind, fairly evaluated.

1	"(5) Priority.—In awarding grants under this
2	section, the Secretary shall give priority to eligible
3	partnerships—
4	"(A) that include high-need local edu-
5	cational agencies; or
6	"(B) that emphasize the teaching of the
7	less-commonly taught foreign languages.
8	"(d) Applications.—
9	"(1) In General.—Each eligible partnership
10	desiring a grant under this section shall submit an
11	application to the Secretary at such time, in such
12	manner, and accompanied by such information as
13	the Secretary may require.
14	"(2) Contents.—An application under para-
15	graph (1) shall include—
16	"(A) an assessment of the teacher quality
17	and professional development needs of all the
18	schools and agencies participating in the eligible
19	partnership with respect to the teaching and
20	learning of foreign languages;
21	"(B) a description of how the activities to
22	be carried out by the eligible partnership will be
23	based on a review of relevant research, and an
24	explanation of why the activities are expected to

1	improve student performance and to strengthen
2	the quality of foreign language instruction; and
3	"(C) a description of—
4	"(i) how the eligible partnership will
5	carry out the authorized activities de-
6	scribed in subsection (e); and
7	"(ii) the eligible partnership's evalua-
8	tion and accountability plan as described
9	in subsection (f).
10	"(e) Authorized Activities.—An eligible partner-
11	ship shall use the grant funds provided under this section
12	for 1 or more of the following activities related to elemen-
13	tary schools or secondary schools:
14	"(1) Creating opportunities for enhanced and
15	ongoing professional development that improves the
16	subject matter knowledge of foreign language teach-
17	ers.
18	"(2) Recruiting university students with foreign
19	language majors for teaching.
20	"(3) Promoting strong teaching skills for for-
21	eign language teachers and teacher educators.
22	"(4) Establishing foreign language summer
23	workshops or institutes (including follow-up train-
24	ing) for teachers.

1	"(5) Establishing distance learning programs
2	for foreign language teachers.
3	"(6) Designing programs to prepare a teacher
4	at a school to provide professional development to
5	other teachers at the school and to assist novice
6	teachers at such school, including (if applicable) a
7	mechanism to integrate experiences from a summer
8	workshop or institute.
9	"(7) Developing instruction materials.
10	"(f) Evaluation and Accountability Plan.—
11	Each eligible partnership receiving a grant under this sec-
12	tion shall develop an evaluation and accountability plan
13	for activities assisted under this section that includes
14	strong performance objectives. The plan shall include ob-
15	jectives and measures for—
16	"(1) increased participation by students in ad-
17	vanced courses in foreign language;
18	"(2) increased percentages of secondary school
19	classes in foreign language taught by teachers with
20	academic majors in foreign language, respectively
21	and
22	"(3) increased numbers of foreign language
23	teachers who participate in content-based profes-

sional development activities.

1	"(g) Report.—Each eligible partnership receiving a
2	grant under this section shall annually report to the Sec-
3	retary regarding the eligible partnership's progress in
4	meeting the performance objectives described in sub-
5	section (f).
6	"(h) Termination.—If the Secretary determines
7	that an eligible partnership is not making substantial
8	progress in meeting the performance objectives described
9	in subsection (f) by the end of the third year of a grant
10	under this section, the grant payments shall not be made
11	for the fourth and fifth year of the grant.
12	"(i) Authorization of Appropriations.—To
13	carry out this part, there are authorized to be appro-
14	priated \$48,000,000 for fiscal year 2006 and such sums
15	as may be necessary for each of the 5 succeeding fiscal
16	years.".
17	SEC. 3. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ADVANCED FOREIGN
18	LANGUAGE EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM.
19	(a) Purpose.—It is the purpose of this section to
20	support programs in colleges and universities that—
21	(1) encourage students to develop both—
22	(A) an understanding of science and tech-
23	nology; and
24	(B) foreign language proficiency; and

1	(2) foster future international scientific collabo-
2	ration.
3	(b) Development.—The Secretary of Education
4	shall develop a program for the awarding of grants to in-
5	stitutions of higher education that develop innovative pro-
6	grams for the teaching of foreign languages.
7	(c) REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.—The Sec-
8	retary of Education shall promulgate regulations for the
9	awarding of grants under subsection (b). Such regulations
10	shall require institutions of higher education to use grant
11	funds for, among other things—
12	(1) the development of an on-campus cultural
13	awareness program by which students attend classes
14	taught in the foreign language and study the science
15	and technology developments and practices in a non-
16	English speaking country;
17	(2) immersion programs where students take
18	science or technology related course work in a non-
19	English speaking country; and
20	(3) other programs, such as summer work-
21	shops, that emphasize the intense study of a foreign
22	language and science technology.
23	(d) Grant Distribution.—In distributing grants to
24	institutions of higher education under this section, the
25	Secretary of Education shall give priority to—

- 1 (1) institutions that have programs focusing on 2 curriculum that combine the study of foreign lan-3 guages and the study of science and technology and 4 produce graduates who have both skills; and
- institutions teaching the less-commonly 6 languages of Arabic, Korean, taught 7 Pashto, Persian-Farsi, Serbian-Croatian, Japanese, 8 Russian, Portuguese, and any language identified by 9 the Secretary of Education, in consultation with the 10 Defense Language Institute, the Foreign Service In-11 stitute, and the National Security Education Pro-12 gram, as a critical foreign language need.
- 13 (e) Science.—In this section, the term "science"
 14 means any of the natural and physical sciences including
 15 chemistry, biology, physics, and computer science. Such
 16 term does not include any of the social sciences.
- 17 (f) APPROPRIATIONS AUTHORIZED.—To carry out
 18 this section, there are authorized to be appropriated
 19 \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2006 and such sums as may
 20 be necessary for each subsequent fiscal year.

21 SEC. 4. FEDERAL FOREIGN LANGUAGE EDUCATION MAR-

22 KETING CAMPAIGN.

- The Secretary of Education shall establish a foreign language education marketing campaign to encourage stu-
- 25 dents at secondary schools and institutions of higher edu-

- 1 cation to study foreign languages, particularly languages
- 2 that are less commonly taught and critical to the national
- 3 security of the United States.
- 4 SEC. 5. NATIONAL STUDY OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE HERIT-
- 5 AGE COMMUNITIES.
- 6 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of Education shall con-
- 7 duct a study to identify foreign language heritage commu-
- 8 nities, particularly such communities that include speakers
- 9 of languages that are critical to the national security of
- 10 the United States.
- 11 (b) Foreign Language Heritage Community.—
- 12 For purposes of this section, the term "foreign language
- 13 heritage community' means a community of residents or
- 14 citizens of the United States—
- 15 (1) who are native speakers of, or who have
- partial fluency in, a foreign language; and
- 17 (2) who should be actively recruited for employ-
- ment by Federal security agencies with a need for
- linguists.
- 20 (c) Report.—Not later than 1 year after the date
- 21 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Education
- 22 shall submit a report to the Congress on the results of
- 23 the study conducted under this section.

1	SEC. 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL FLAGSHIP
2	LANGUAGE INITIATIVE WITHIN THE NA-
3	TIONAL SECURITY EDUCATION PROGRAM.
4	(a) National Flagship Language Initiative.—
5	(1) Expansion of grant program author-
6	ITY.—Subsection (a)(1) of section 802 of the David
7	L. Boren National Security Education Act of 1991
8	(50 U.S.C. 1902) is amended—
9	(A) by striking "and" at the end of sub-
10	paragraph (D);
11	(B) by striking the period at the end of
12	subparagraph (E) and inserting "; and"; and
13	(C) by adding at the end the following new
14	subparagraph:
15	"(F) awarding grants to institutions of
16	higher education to carry out activities under
17	the International Flagship Language Initiative
18	(described in subsection (j)).".
19	(2) Provisions of National Flagship Lan-
20	GUAGE INITIATIVE.—Such section is further amend-
21	ed by adding at the end the following new sub-
22	section:
23	"(j) International Flagship Language Initia-
24	TIVE.—(1) Under the International Flagship Language
25	Initiative, qualified institutions of higher education shall
26	establish, operate, or improve foreign language immersion

- 1 programs and activities at sites overseas designed to train
- 2 students in programs in a range of disciplines to achieve
- 3 advanced levels of proficiency in those foreign languages
- 4 that the Secretary identifies as being the most critical in
- 5 the interests of the national security of the United States.
- 6 "(2) For purposes of this subsection, an institution
- 7 of higher education is deemed to be qualified if the Sec-
- 8 retary determines that the institution has demonstrated
- 9 expertise in the establishment and operation of foreign
- 10 language immersion programs at sites overseas.
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 (3) In awarding grants under subsection (a)(1)(F),
- 12 the Secretary shall give preference to those qualified insti-
- 13 tutions of higher education that—
- 14 "(A) collaborate with established study abroad
- 15 professional organizations,
- 16 "(B) demonstrate experience in recruitment,
- 17 placement, programming, and assessment of stu-
- dents in specific countries and regions of the world;
- 19 and
- 20 "(C) demonstrate relationships with language
- 21 acquisition specialists.
- 22 "(4) An undergraduate student who has been award-
- 23 ed a scholarship under subsection (a)(1)(A) or a graduate
- 24 student who has been awarded a fellowship under sub-

- 1 section (a)(1)(B) may participate in the activities carried
- 2 out under the National Flagship Language Initiative.
- 3 "(5) An institution of higher education that receives
- 4 a grant pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(F) shall give special
- 5 consideration to applicants who are employees of the Fed-
- 6 eral Government.".
- 7 (3) Inapplicability of funding allocation
- 8 RULES.—(A) The first sentence in the matter fol-
- 9 lowing subsection (a)(2) of such section is amended
- by inserting "or under paragraph (1)(F) for the
- 11 International Flagship Language Initiative described
- in subsection (j)" after "or for the scholarship pro-
- gram under paragraph (1)(E)".
- (B) The second sentence in such matter is
- amended by inserting "and the International Flag-
- ship Language Initiative" after "the National Flag-
- ship Language Initiative".
- 18 (4) BOARD REQUIREMENT.—Section
- 19 803(d)(4)(E) of such Act (50 U.S.C. 1903(d)(4)(E))
- is amended by inserting before the period the fol-
- 21 lowing: "and section 802(a)(1)(F) (relating to
- 22 grants for the International Flagship Language Ini-
- tiative).".

- 1 (b) Funding.—Section 811(b) of the David L. Boren
- 2 National Security Education Act of 1991 (50 U.S.C.
- 3 1911(a)) is amended—
- 4 (1) by inserting "(1)" after "(a) Fiscal Year
- 5 2005.—''; and
- 6 (2) by adding at the end the following new
- 7 paragraph:
- 8 "(2) In addition to amounts that may be made avail-
- 9 able to the Secretary under the Fund for a fiscal year,
- 10 the Director of National Intelligence shall transfer to the
- 11 Secretary from amounts appropriated for the Intelligence
- 12 Community Management Account for each fiscal year, be-
- 13 ginning with fiscal year 2006, \$6,000,000, to carry out
- 14 the grant program for the International Flagship Lan-
- 15 guage Initiative under section 802(a)(1)(F).".
- 16 (c) Construction.—Nothing in this section shall be
- 17 construed as affecting any program or project carried out
- 18 under the David L. Boren National Security Education
- 19 Act of 1991 as in effect on the date that precedes the
- 20 date of the enactment of this Act.
- 21 SEC. 7. FORGIVENESS OF LOANS TO STUDENTS AT INSTITU-
- 22 TIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
- 23 (a) Guaranteed Student Loans.—Part B of title
- 24 IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 is amended by

1	inserting after section 428K (20 U.S.C. 1078–11) the following
2	lowing:
3	"SEC. 428L. LOAN FORGIVENESS FOR UNDERGRADUATES IN
4	CRITICAL FOREIGN LANGUAGES.
5	"(a) Establishment.—The Secretary of Education
6	shall establish and implement a program to cancel the ob-
7	ligation of loan borrowers to pay the principal and interest
8	on a loan provided under this part in order to serve as
9	an incentive for students to obtain a degree in a critical
10	foreign language.
11	"(b) Program Authorized.—
12	"(1) In general.—The Secretary shall carry
13	out a program, through the holder of the loan, of as-
14	suming the obligation to repay in accordance with
15	subsection (c) the principal and interest, not to ex-
16	ceed a total of \$10,000, on a loan made under this
17	part for a borrower who—
18	"(A) has obtained an undergraduate de-
19	gree in a critical foreign language;
20	"(B) is employed in a full-time position—
21	"(i) in an elementary or secondary
22	school as a teacher of a critical foreign lan-
23	guage; or
24	"(ii) in an agency of the United
25	States Government in a position that regu-

larly requires the use of such critical foreign language;

- "(C) is a United States citizen, United States national, permanent legal resident, or citizen of the Freely Associated States; and
- "(D) is in repayment status on such loan and is not in default on a loan for which the borrower seeks forgiveness of principal and interest payments.
- "(2) APPLICATION BY BORROWERS.—The Secretary shall, by regulation, establish procedures by which borrowers shall apply for loan repayment under this section.

"(c) Terms.—

"(1) PROMISE TO COMPLETE SERVICE REQUIRED FOR PAYMENT.—Any application for payment under subsection (b) shall contain an agreement by the applicant that the applicant will continue in a qualifying service described in subsection
(b)(1)(B) for not less than 5 consecutive complete
years, or will, upon a failure to complete such 5
years, repay the United States the amount of the
principal and interest repaid by the Secretary under
subsection (b), at a rate and schedule, and in accordance with regulations, prescribed by the Sec-

- retary. Such regulations may provide for waiver by
 the Secretary of such repayment obligations upon
 proof of economic hardship as specified in such regulations.
 - "(2) Payment in installments.—After a borrower has obtained a bachelor's degree in a critical foreign language, the Federal Government shall make payments under this section while the borrower is in loan repayment status and continues in an employment position described in subsection (b)(1)(B). The Secretary shall repay a portion of a borrower's outstanding loan, not to exceed a total of \$10,000, in the following increments:
 - "(A) up to \$1,500 or 15 percent of the borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever is less, at the completion of the second year of such service;
 - "(B) up to \$1,500 or 15 percent of the borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever is less, at the completion of the third year of such service;
 - "(C) up to \$2,000 or 20 percent of the borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever is less, at the completion of the fourth year of such service; and

"(D) up to \$5,000 or 50 percent of the 1 2 borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever 3 is less, at the completion of the fifth year of 4 such service. 5 "(d) Definitions.—In this section: 6 "(1) Critical foreign language.—The term 7 'critical foreign language' includes the languages of 8 Arabic, Korean, Japanese, Chinese, Pashto, Persian-9 Farsi, Serbian-Croatian, Russian, Portuguese, and 10 any other language identified by the Secretary of 11 Education, in consultation with the Defense Lan-12 guage Institute, the Foreign Service Institute, and 13 the National Security Education Program, as a crit-

"(2) AGENCY.—The term 'agency of the United States Government' means any agency, office, establishment, instrumentality, or other entity of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of the Government.".

ical foreign language need.

20 (b) DIRECT STUDENT LOANS.—Part D of title IV of 21 the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087a et 22 seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

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1	"SEC. 460A. LOAN FORGIVENESS FOR UNDERGRADUATES
2	IN CRITICAL FOREIGN LANGUAGES.
3	"(a) Establishment.—The Secretary of Education
4	shall establish and implement a program to cancel the ob-
5	ligation of loan borrowers to pay the principal and interest
6	on a loan provided under this part in order to serve as
7	an incentive for students to obtain a degree in a critical
8	foreign language.
9	"(b) Program Authorized.—
10	"(1) In general.—The Secretary shall carry
11	out a program of assuming the obligation to repay
12	in accordance with subsection (c) the principal and
13	interest, not to exceed a total of \$10,000, on a loan
14	made under this part for a borrower who—
15	"(A) has obtained an undergraduate de-
16	gree in a critical foreign language;
17	"(B) is employed in a full-time position—
18	"(i) in an elementary or secondary
19	school as a teacher of a critical foreign lan-
20	guage; or
21	"(ii) in an agency of the United
22	States Government in a position that regu-
23	larly requires the use of such critical for-
24	eign language;

1 "(C) is a United States citizen, United 2 States national, permanent legal resident, or 3 citizen of the Freely Associated States; and

> "(D) is in repayment status on such loan and is not in default on a loan for which the borrower seeks forgiveness of principal and interest payments.

"(2) Application by Borrowers.—The Secretary shall, by regulation, establish procedures by which borrowers shall apply for loan repayment under this section.

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(b)(1)(B) for not less than 5 consecutive complete
years, or will, upon a failure to complete such 5
years, repay the United States the amount of the
principal and interest repaid by the Secretary under
subsection (b), at a rate and schedule, and in accordance with regulations, prescribed by the Secretary. Such regulations may provide for waiver by
the Secretary of such repayment obligations upon

1	proof of economic hardship as specified in such regu-
2	lations.
3	"(2) Payment in installments.—After a
4	borrower has obtained a bachelor's degree in a crit-
5	ical foreign language, the Federal Government shall
6	make payments under this section while the bor-
7	rower is in loan repayment status and continues in
8	an employment position described in subsection
9	(b)(1)(B). The Secretary shall repay a portion of a
10	borrower's outstanding loan, not to exceed a total of
11	\$10,000, in the following increments:
12	"(A) up to $$1,500$ or 15 percent of the
13	borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever
14	is less, at the completion of the second year of
15	such service;
16	"(B) up to $$1,500$ or 15 percent of the
17	borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever
18	is less, at the completion of the third year of
19	such service;
20	"(C) up to \$2,000 or 20 percent of the
21	borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever
22	is less, at the completion of the fourth year of
23	such service; and
24	"(D) up to $$5,000$ or 50 percent of the
25	borrower's outstanding loan balance, whichever

is less, at the completion of the fifth year of such service.

"(d) Definitions.—In this section:

- "(1) Critical foreign language.—The term 4 5 'critical foreign language' includes the languages of 6 Arabic, Korean, Japanese, Chinese, Pashto, Persian-7 Farsi, Serbian-Croatian, Russian, Portuguese, and 8 any other language identified by the Secretary of 9 Education, in consultation with the Defense Lan-10 guage Institute, the Foreign Service Institute, and 11 the National Security Education Program, as a crit-12 ical foreign language need.
- "(2) AGENCY.—The term 'agency of the United
 States Government' means any agency, office, establishment, instrumentality, or other entity of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of the Government.".
- 18 (c) Report to Congress.—Not later than 6
 19 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec20 retary of Education shall propose regulations to carry out
 21 this section and submit to the appropriate committees of
 22 the Congress a report on how the Secretary plans to imple23 ment the programs under amendments made by this sec24 tion and advertise such programs to institutions of higher
 25 education and potential applicants. Not later than 6

- 1 months after the date on which the comment period for
- 2 the regulations proposed under the preceding sentence
- 3 ends, the Secretary shall promulgate final regulations to

4 carry out this section.

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