

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4943

To amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide that children who have relocated from Puerto Rico to the States are fully considered for purposes of State allotments under the English Language Acquisition grants.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 31, 2019

Mrs. MURPHY of Florida (for herself and Mr. DIAZ-BALART) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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 “Ensuring Linguistic
5 Excellence and Vocational Aptitude by Teaching English
6 Act” or the “ELEVATE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF PUERTO RICO WITH RESPECT TO**
2 **ALLOTMENTS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE AC-**
3 **QUISITION GRANTS.**

4 (a) TREATMENT OF MIGRANTS FROM PUERTO
5 RICO.—Section 3201(5) of the Elementary and Secondary
6 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7011(5)) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “in which
8 the primary language of instruction in public ele-
9 mentary schools and secondary schools is English”
10 after “any State”; and

11 (2) in subparagraph (C), by inserting “, other
12 than Puerto Rico,” after “States”.

13 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by sub-
14 section (a)—

15 (1) may only apply to fiscal years 2020 and
16 2021 if the Secretary of Education determines that
17 the application of such amendments will not result
18 in a State receiving an allotment under title III of
19 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
20 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6801 et seq.) for such fiscal year
21 that is less than the allotment such State received
22 under such title in fiscal year 2019; and

23 (2) shall apply beginning on and after October
24 1, 2021.

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