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H. R. 2869

To authorize the Secretary of Education to make grants to local educational agencies for the construction, renovation, or repair of athletics facilities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. Fudge 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 "School Athletic Facili-
- 5 ties Restoration Act of 2011".
- 6 SEC. 2. ATHLETICS FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM.
- 7 (a) In General.—Part D of title V of the Elemen-
- 8 tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
- 9 5401 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 10 lowing new subpart:

1	"Subpart 22—Athletic Facilities
2	"SEC. 5619. SHORT TITLE.
3	"This subpart may be cited as the School Athletic
4	Facilities Restoration Program'.
5	"SEC. 5620. PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.
6	"The Secretary is authorized to make grants, on a
7	competitive basis, to local educational agencies for the con-
8	struction, renovation, or repair of school facilities that are
9	primarily used for physical education, athletic contests or
10	exhibitions, or athletic extracurricular activities, such as
11	team sports.
12	"SEC. 5621. APPLICATIONS.
13	"Each local educational agency desiring a grant
14	under this subpart shall submit an application to the Sec-
15	retary at such time, in such manner, and containing such
16	information and assurances as the Secretary shall require.
17	"SEC. 5622. REQUIREMENTS.
18	"(1) Report to secretary.—A local edu-
19	cational agency receiving a grant under this subpart
20	shall submit to the Secretary an annual report
21	that—
22	"(A) describes the activities conducted dur-
23	ing the preceding year; and
24	"(B) demonstrates that progress has been
25	made toward completing the construction, ren-
26	ovation, or repair of the facility.

1	"(2) Administrative expenses.—Not more
2	than 5 percent of the grant funds made available to
3	a local educational agency under this subpart may
4	be used for administrative expenses.
5	"SEC. 5623. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.
6	"(a) Federal Share.—The Federal share of the
7	cost of any project funded under this subpart shall not
8	exceed 50 percent.
9	"(b) Proportionality.—To the extent practicable,
10	the Secretary shall ensure that grants awarded under this
11	subpart shall be equitably distributed among local edu-
12	cational agencies serving urban and rural areas.
13	"(c) Report to Congress.—Not later than one
14	year after a grant is awarded under this subpart, and an-
15	nually thereafter, the Secretary shall submit a report to
16	Congress that—
17	"(1) describes the grants made under this sub-
18	part;
19	"(2) documents the progress of construction,
20	renovation, and repair funded under this subpart;
21	and
22	"(3) makes such recommendations as the Sec-
23	retary determines appropriate for the continuation
24	and improvement of grants made under this subpart.

- 1 "(d) Availability of Funds.—Amounts made
- 2 available to the Secretary to carry out this subpart shall
- 3 remain available until expended.
- 4 "SEC. 5624. SUPPLEMENT, NOT SUPPLANT.
- 5 "Funds made available under this subpart shall be
- 6 used to supplement, and not supplant, any other Federal,
- 7 State, or local funds available for construction, renovation,
- 8 or repair of school facilities.".
- 9 (b) Conforming Amendments.—The table of con-
- 10 tents in section 2 of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-
- 11 cation Act of 1965 is amended by inserting after the item
- 12 relating to subpart 21 of part D of title V the following
- 13 new item:

"SUBPART 22—ATHLETICS FACILITIES

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[&]quot;Sec. 5619. Short title.

[&]quot;Sec. 5620. Program authorized.

[&]quot;Sec. 5621. Applications.

[&]quot;Sec. 5622. Requirements.

[&]quot;Sec. 5623. Administrative provisions.

[&]quot;Sec. 5624. Supplement, not supplant.".