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114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To reinstate year-round Federal Pell Grants under the Higher Education Act of 1965.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. BUSTOS (for herself, Mr. LOEBSACK, and Mr. KIND) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

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 “Access to Education
5 and Training Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL PELL GRANTS.**

2 (a) AMENDMENTS.—Section 401(b) of the Higher
3 Education Act of 1965 ((20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)) is amend-
4 ed—

5 (1) in paragraph (2)(A)(ii), by striking “para-
6 graph (7)(B)” and inserting “paragraph (8)(B)”;
7 and

8 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (5) through
9 (7) as paragraphs (6) through (8), respectively; and
10 (3) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-
11 lowing:

12 “(5)(A) The Secretary shall award a student
13 not more than two Federal Pell Grants during a sin-
14 gle award year to permit such student to accelerate
15 the student’s progress toward a degree or certificate
16 if the student is enrolled—

17 “(i) on at least a half-time basis for a pe-
18 riod of more than one academic year, or more
19 than two semesters or an equivalent period of
20 time, during a single award year; and

21 “(ii) in a program of instruction at an in-
22 stitution of higher education for which the insti-
23 tution awards an associate or baccalaureate de-
24 gree or certificate.

25 “(B) In the case of a student receiving more
26 than one Federal Pell Grant in a single award year

1 under subparagraph (A), the total amount of Fed-
2 eral Pell Grants awarded to such student for the
3 award year may exceed the maximum basic grant
4 level specified in the appropriate appropriations Act
5 for such award year.”.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
7 subsection (a) shall be effective for award year 2015-2016
8 and each succeeding award year