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AMENDMENT NO. Casey/Title II/Amendment #2 Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To ensure teachers, principals and other school leaders, and other educators are profession-ready.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. _____

To reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to ensure that every child achieves.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENTS intended to be proposed by Mr. CASEY *for himself and Ms. Baldwin, Ms. Warren*

Viz:

1 On page 222, between lines 12 and 13, insert the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(1) EDUCATOR.—The term ‘educator’
4 means—

5 “(A) a teacher (including a special edu-
6 cation teacher), principal, other school leader,
7 or specialized instructional support personnel of
8 a preschool, early childhood education program,
9 kindergarten, elementary school, or secondary
10 school; or

11 “(B) another staff member of a preschool,
12 early childhood education program, kinder-

garten, elementary school, or secondary school
who provides or directly supports instruction,
such as a school librarian, counselor, or highly
qualified paraprofessional or other early child-
hood instructional staff members.

“(2) PROFESSION-READY.—The term ‘profes-
sion-ready’—

“(A) when used with respect to a principal
or other school leader, means a principal or
other school leader who—

“(i) has an advanced degree, or other
appropriate credential;

“(ii) has completed a principal or
other school leader preparation process and
is fully certified and licensed by the State
in which the principal or other school lead-
er is employed;

“(iii) has demonstrated instructional
leadership, including the ability to collect,
analyze, and utilize data on evidence of
student learning and evidence of classroom
practice; and

“(iv) has demonstrated proficiency in
professionally recognized leadership stand-
ards, such as through a performance as-

1 assessment, completion of a residency pro-
2 gram, or another measure determined by
3 the State; and

4 “(B) when used with respect to a teacher,
5 means a teacher who—

6 “(i) has completed a teacher prepara-
7 tion program and is certified and licensed
8 to teach by the State in which the teacher
9 teaches;

10 “(ii) has demonstrated content knowl-
11 edge in the subject or subjects the teacher
12 teaches; and

13 “(iii) has demonstrated teaching
14 skills, such as through a teacher perform-
15 ance assessment, residency program, or an-
16 other measure determined by the State;
17 and

18 “(C) when used with respect to any other
19 educator not described in subparagraph (A) or
20 (B), means an educator who has completed an
21 appropriate preparation program and is cer-
22 tified and licensed by the State in which the ed-
23 ucator is employed.”

1 On page 233, strike lines 22 through 24, and insert
2 the following:

3 “(bb) increase the retention
4 of profession-ready and effective
5 teachers, principals, and other
6 school leaders;”

7 On page 243, between lines 6 and 7, insert the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(iii) ensuring that low-income and
10 minority students are served by profession-
11 ready teachers, principals, and other school
12 leaders;”

13 On page 251, strike lines 11 through 15, and insert
14 the following:

15 “(IV) provide opportunities for
16 mentor teachers, principals, and other
17 educators who are experienced, effec-
18 tive, profession-ready, and have dem-
19 onstrated an ability to work with
20 adult learners;”

21 On page 252, strike lines 10 through 13, and insert
22 the following:

1 “(D) reducing class size to an evidence
2 based level to improve student achievement
3 through the recruiting and hiring of additional
4 effective and profession-ready teachers;”

5 On page 259, strike lines 9 through 13, and insert
6 the following:

7 “(1) the number of teachers, principals, and
8 other school leaders in the State and each local edu-
9 cational agency in the State who are profession-
10 ready, licensed or certified (by category of licensure),
11 provided such information does not reveal personally
12 identifiable information;”