

Union Calendar No. 351

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4254

[Report No. 115–472]

To amend the National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 to strengthen the aerospace workforce pipeline by the promotion of Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program and National Aeronautics and Space Administration internship and fellowship opportunities to women, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 6, 2017

Mr. KNIGHT (for himself, Ms. ESTY of Connecticut, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mrs. COMSTOCK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

DECEMBER 18, 2017

Additional sponsors: Mr. SMITH of Texas, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. PERLMUTTER, and Mr. FOSTER

DECEMBER 18, 2017

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on November 6, 2017]

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 “Women in Aerospace*
 5 *Education Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. ROBERT NOYCE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**
 7 **FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.**

8 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The National Science Foundation*
 9 *Authorization Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–368; 42 U.S.C.*
 10 *1862n et seq.) is amended—*

11 *(1) in section 10(a)(3)(A)(iv), by inserting “, in-*
 12 *cluding research experiences at national laboratories*
 13 *and NASA centers” before the semicolon; and*

14 *(2) in section 10A(c)(4)—*

15 *(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and”*
 16 *at the end;*

17 *(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the*
 18 *period at the end and inserting “; and”; and*

19 *(C) by adding at the end the following:*

20 *“(C) providing internship opportunities for*
 21 *fellows, including research experiences at na-*
 22 *tional laboratories and NASA Centers.”.*

23 *(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by sub-*
 24 *section (a) shall apply with respect to grants awarded on*
 25 *or after October 1, 2018.*

1 **SEC. 3. NASA INTERNSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNI-**
2 **TIES.**

3 *Not later than October 1, 2018, the Administrator of*
4 *the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (in*
5 *this section referred to as “NASA”) shall institute a process*
6 *to prioritize the recruitment of qualified candidates who are*
7 *women or individuals who are historically underrepresented*
8 *in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathe-*
9 *matics (STEM) and computer science for internships and*
10 *fellowships at NASA with relevance to the aerospace sector*
11 *and related fields.*

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