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110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To help keep students safe on school-run, overnight, off-premises field trips.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. ROTHMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

A BILL

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premises field trips.

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 “Phylcia’s Law”.

5 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

6 Congress finds the following:

- 7 (1) Students achieve their full academic poten-
8 tial when they have the ability to learn in a safe and
9 secure environment.

1 (2) Off-campus school trips comprise an inte-
2 gral part of the educational experience for our Na-
3 tion's students. Each year millions of students enjoy
4 these trips, which provide them with invaluable
5 learning opportunities outside the classroom.

6 (3) There exists no Federal law requiring public
7 schools to develop safety plans for off-premises,
8 overnight, school-sponsored trips.

9 **SEC. 3. STUDENT SAFETY ON FIELD TRIPS.**

10 Section 4114(d)(7) of the Elementary and Secondary
11 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7114(d)(7) is amend-
12 ed—

13 (1) in subparagraph (D), by striking “and” at
14 the end;

15 (2) in subparagraph (E), by adding “and” at
16 the end; and

17 (3) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(F) an assurance that—

19 “(i) before every off-premises, over-
20 night field trip, a written safety plan is de-
21 veloped by the school sponsoring the trip
22 and provided to the parents of the children
23 concerned; and

24 “(ii) each such safety plan shall in-
25 clude, at a minimum—

1 “(I) policies on curfews, room
2 checks, and chaperone qualifications;
3 and

4 “(II) emergency procedures to be
5 followed in the case of serious injury
6 or death;”.