

103D CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2883

To amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide for the establishment of a National Environmental Education Center.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 5, 1993

Mr. ENGEL (for himself and Mr. SERRANO) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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 “Environmental Edu-
5 cation Act of 1993”.

6 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL**
7 **EDUCATION CENTER.**

8 Part A of title II of the Elementary and Secondary
9 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 2981 et seq.) is amend-
10 ed by adding at the end the following new subpart:

1 “(4) use an unparalleled wildlife collection and
2 award-winning natural habitat exhibits to teach
3 basic biology and conservation ecology;

4 “(5) inspire and perpetuate extensive networks
5 of environmental science educators, nationally and
6 internationally;

7 “(6) foster productive partnerships between
8 educators in schools and environmental institutions
9 such as zoos, aquariums, and nature preserves;

10 “(7) offer workshops, courses, and seminars to
11 help strengthen and revive the national science cur-
12 ricula and inspire a new commitment to conserva-
13 tion;

14 “(8) generate instructional products in a variety
15 of media to promote environmental literacy;

16 “(9) develop and test model lesson plans, cur-
17 riculum packages, books, computer software, video-
18 tapes, audiotapes, slide sets, and laser discs; and

19 “(10) be located in a building that would con-
20 tain—

21 “(A) a teacher training resource and media
22 center;

23 “(B) laboratories for teaching habitat ecol-
24 ogy, animal care, and animal behavior;

1 “(C) classrooms for early childhood, ele-
2 mentary, secondary, and adult education;

3 “(D) natural environment teaching labora-
4 tories;

5 “(E) a wildlife tour and environmental in-
6 formation headquarters;

7 “(F) a study center and library; and

8 “(G) offices for teachers and administra-
9 tors.

10 “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
11 are authorized to be appropriated for purposes of carrying
12 out this subpart \$25,000,000 for each of the fiscal years
13 1994, 1995, and 1996.’’.

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