

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CÁRDENAS OF CALIFORNIA

(Page and line nos. refer to Rules Committee Print 113-18)

Page 150, line 12, strike “1211 and 1222,” and insert “1211, 1212, and 1222.”

Page 176, after line 18, insert the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 **“SEC. 1212. ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION TECH-**
2 **NOLOGY INNOVATION GRANTS.**

3 “(a) PURPOSES.—The Secretary shall use funds
4 made available under section 1191(c)(1)(B) to provide
5 English language acquisition technology innovation grants
6 for purposes of pursuing breakthrough research and devel-
7 opment in educational technology and providing the effec-
8 tive use of that technology to improve English proficiency
9 and academic achievement for English learners, by—

10 “(1) identifying and promoting advances in fun-
11 damental and applied sciences and engineering that
12 could be translated into new language learning or in-
13 struction technologies;

1 “(2) developing novel language learning or in-
2 struction technologies, and the enabling processes
3 and contexts for effective use of those technologies;

4 “(3) developing, testing, and evaluating the im-
5 pact and efficacy of those technologies;

6 “(4) accelerating technological advances in
7 areas in which the private sector, by itself, is not
8 likely to accelerate such advances because of difficul-
9 ties in implementation or adoption, or technical and
10 market uncertainty;

11 “(5) coordinating activities with nongovern-
12 mental entities to demonstrate technologies and re-
13 search applications to facilitate technology transfer;
14 and

15 “(6) encouraging educational research on
16 English language acquisition using new technologies
17 and the data produced by those technologies.

18 “(b) AUTHORITIES OF SECRETARY.—The Secretary
19 is authorized to—

20 “(1) establish processes for the development
21 and execution of English language acquisition tech-
22 nology innovation grant projects and the solicitation
23 of entities to carry out the projects in a manner that
24 is—

1 “(A) tailored to the purposes of the
2 English language acquisition technology innova-
3 tion grants and not constrained by other De-
4 partment-wide administrative requirements that
5 could detract from achieving program results;

6 “(B) designed to heighten transparency;
7 and

8 “(C) designed to heighten public- and pri-
9 vate-sector involvement to ensure that invest-
10 ments are made in the most promising areas;

11 “(2) award grants, contracts, cooperative agree-
12 ments, and cash prizes, and enter into other trans-
13 actions (in accordance with such regulations as the
14 Secretary may establish regarding other trans-
15 actions);

16 “(3) obtain independent, periodic, rigorous eval-
17 uations, as appropriate, of—

18 “(A) the effectiveness of the processes
19 being used to award and evaluate the effective-
20 ness of the English language acquisition tech-
21 nology innovation grants in achieving the stated
22 purposes; and

23 “(B) the effectiveness of individual projects
24 assisted by English language acquisition tech-
25 nology innovation grants, using evidence stand-

1 ards developed in consultation with the Insti-
2 tute of Education Sciences, and the suitability
3 of ongoing projects assisted by such grants for
4 further investment or increased scale;

5 “(4) disseminate, through the comprehensive
6 centers established under section 203 of the Edu-
7 cational Technical Assistance Act of 2002 (20
8 U.S.C. 9602), the regional educational laboratories
9 system established under section 174 of the Edu-
10 cation Sciences Reform Act of 2002 (20 U.S.C.
11 9564), or such other means as the Secretary deter-
12 mines to be appropriate, information on effective
13 practices and technologies developed with the sup-
14 port of English language acquisition technology in-
15 novation grants; and

16 “(5) collect, analyze, synthesize, and dissemi-
17 nate, through the comprehensive centers established
18 under section 203 of the Educational Technical As-
19 sistance Act of 2002 (20 U.S.C. 9602), the regional
20 educational laboratories system established under
21 section 174 of the Education Sciences Reform Act of
22 2002 (20 U.S.C. 9564), or such other means as the
23 Secretary determines to be appropriate information
24 and educational research and processes related to
25 the education of English learners.

1 “(c) EVALUATION FUNDS.—The Secretary may use
2 funds made available for English language acquisition
3 technology innovation grants to pay the cost of the evalua-
4 tions under subsection (b)(3).

5 “(d) NONDUPLICATION.—To the maximum extent
6 practicable, the Secretary shall ensure that grants, con-
7 tracts, cooperative agreements, cash prizes, or other as-
8 sistance or arrangements awarded or entered into pursu-
9 ant to this section that are designed to carry out the pur-
10 poses of the English language acquisition technology inno-
11 vation grants do not duplicate activities under programs
12 carried out under Federal law other than this section by
13 the Department or other Federal agencies.”.

