



AMENDMENT NO. 1 Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To require the Secretary of Education to appear before the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—119th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**S. 1602**

To coordinate Federal research and development efforts focused on modernizing mathematics in STEM education through mathematical and statistical modeling, including data-driven and computational thinking, problem, project, and performance-based learning and assessment, interdisciplinary exploration, and career connections, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by \_\_\_\_\_

Viz:

1 At the end, add the following:

2 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . APPEARANCES BEFORE CONGRESS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 weeks after the  
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Education  
5 shall appear before the Committee on Health, Education,  
6 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate at hearings on topics  
7 determined by the Committee.

8 (b) CLARIFICATIONS.—

1           (1) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The Chair of the  
2           Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-  
3           sions of the Senate may waive the requirements of  
4           subsection (a) for an applicable appearance only  
5           upon a vote of the Committee.

6           (2) SCOPE OF REQUIREMENTS.—The require-  
7           ments of this section shall not be construed to im-  
8           pact the appearance of other Federal officials or the  
9           Secretary of Education at hearings of the Committee  
10          on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the  
11          Senate at other times or for other purposes.

12          (c) PROHIBITION ON USE OF TRAVEL FUNDS.—  
13          None of the funds made available for fiscal year 2026 for  
14          the Office of the Secretary of Education or for Depart-  
15          mental Management may be obligated or expended for  
16          travel expenses until the Secretary of Education appears  
17          before the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and  
18          Pensions of the Senate in accordance with subsection (a).