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Purpose: To provide for a study on Holocaust education efforts.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES-119th Cong., 1st Sess.

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To provide for the consideration of a definition of antisemitism set forth by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance for the enforcement of Federal antidiscrimination laws concerning education programs or activities, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ______ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. Kim

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1 At the end, insert the following:

2 SEC. ____. HOLOCAUST EDUCATION AND ANTISEMITISM 3 LESSONS.

4 (a) STUDY.—Beginning not later than 180 days after 5 the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the 6 United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (referred to 7 in this Act as the "USHMM Director") shall conduct a 8 study on Holocaust education efforts in States, local edu-9 cational agencies, and public elementary schools and sec.

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ondary schools. Such study shall include an examination
 of—

3 (1) all States;

4 (2) a nationally representative sample of local
5 educational agencies; and

6 (3) a representative sample of public elementary
7 schools and secondary schools served by the local
8 educational agencies being studied.

9 (b) ELEMENTS.—In conducting the study under sub10 section (a), the USHMM Director shall—

(1) determine whether States and local educational agencies being studied require Holocaust
education as part of the curriculum taught in public
elementary schools and secondary schools;

(2) identify States and local educational agencies being studied that have optional Holocaust education as part of the curriculum taught in public elementary schools and secondary schools;

(3) identify each State's standards and the requirements of the local educational agencies being
studied relating to Holocaust education and summarize the status of the implementation of such standards and requirements, including—

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| 1 | (A) any centralized apparatus at the State |
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| 2 | or local level that collects and disseminates Hol- |
| 3 | ocaust education curricula and materials; |
| 4 | (B) any Holocaust education professional |
| 5 | development opportunities for pre-service and |
| 6 | in-service educators; |
| 7 | (C) the involvement of informal edu- |
| 8 | cational organizations in implementing Holo- |
| 9 | caust education, including museums and cul- |
| 10 | tural centers; |
| 11 | (D) an assessment of the challenges or |
| 12 | gaps that may prevent educators from fulfilling |
| 13 | Holocaust education requirements; |
| 14 | (E) the identification of training and re- |
| 15 | sources needed to support educators teaching |
| 16 | about the Holocaust; and |
| 17 | (F) the adoption of United States Holo- |
| 18 | caust Memorial Museum resources by— |
| 19 | (i) entities at the State or local level |
| 20 | that disseminate Holocaust education cur- |
| 21 | ricula; or |
| 22 | (ii) local Holocaust museums and cen- |
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| 24 | (4) determine— |

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| 1 | (A) the range of intended outcomes from a |
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| 2 | Holocaust education unit at the State and local |
| 3 | educational agency level; and |
| 4 | (B) the methods educators are using that |
| 5 | result in successfully achieving intended learn- |
| 6 | ing outcomes, which may include— |
| 7 | (i) in-class discussion; |
| 8 | (ii) educational activities conducted |
| 9 | outside the classroom, including homework |
| 10 | assignments and experiential learning in- |
| 11 | volving State and local organizations, such |
| 12 | as museums and cultural centers; |
| 13 | (iii) project-based learning; |
| 14 | (iv) educational materials and activi- |
| 15 | ties that are developmentally appropriate |
| 16 | and taught through a trauma-informed |
| 17 | lens; and |
| 18 | (v) integration of lessons from the |
| 19 | Holocaust across the curriculum and |
| 20 | throughout the school year; |
| 21 | (5) identify the types of instructional materials |
| 22 | used to teach students about the Holocaust, includ- |
| 23 | ing the use of primary source material; |
| 24 | (6) identify— |

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(A) in what disciplines the Holocaust is being taught;

(B) the amount of time allotted in the required curriculum to teach about the Holocaust; and

6 (C) the comprehensiveness of the Holo-7 caust education curriculum taught in public ele-8 mentary schools and secondary schools, as indi-9 cated by the extent to which the curriculum ad-10 dresses all elements and aspects of the Holo-11 caust and is based on reliable educational re-12 sources, such as resources provided by the 13 United States Holocaust Memorial Museum; 14 and

(7) identify the approaches used by public elementary schools and secondary schools to assess outcomes using traditional and nontraditional assessments, including assessments of—

19(A) students' knowledge of the Holocaust;20and

(B) students' ability to identify and analyze antisemitism, bigotry, hate, and genocide in
historical and contemporary contexts.

24 (c) REPORT.—

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| 1 | (1) IN GENERAL.—Following the completion of |
| 2 | the study under subsection (a), the USHMM Direc- |
| 3 | tor shall prepare and submit to Congress a report on |
| 4 | the results of the study. |
| 5 | (2) DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL.—The report |
| 6 | under paragraph (1) shall be submitted not later |
| 7 | than the earlier of— |
| 8 | (A) 180 days after the completion of the |
| 9 | study under subsection (a); or |
| 10 | (B) 3 years after the date of enactment of |
| 11 | this Act. |
| 12 | (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section: |
| 13 | (1) ESEA TERMS.—The terms "elementary |
| 14 | school", "local educational agency", "secondary |
| 15 | school", and "State" have the meanings given those |
| 16 | terms in section 8101 of the Elementary and Sec- |
| 17 | ondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801). |
| 18 | (2) HOLOCAUST.—The term "Holocaust" has |
| 19 | the meaning given that term in section 3 of the |
| 20 | Never Again Education Act (Public Law 116–141; |
| 21 | 36 U.S.C. 2301 note). |
| 22 | (3) HOLOCAUST EDUCATION.—The term "Holo- |
| 23 | caust education" means educational activities that |
| 24 | are specifically intended— |
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(A) to improve students' awareness and
 understanding of the Holocaust;

(B) to educate students on the lessons of the Holocaust as a means to raise awareness about the importance of preventing genocide, hate, and bigotry against any group of people; and

8 (C) to study the history of antisemitism, 9 its deep historical roots, the use of conspiracy 10 theories and propaganda that target the Jewish 11 people, and the shapeshifting nature of anti-12 semitism over time.

(4) PROJECT-BASED LEARNING.—The term
"project -based learning" means a teaching method
through which students learn by actively engaging in
real-world and personally meaningful projects.