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S. 2743

To authorize four demonstration centers designed to address changes in teaching techniques, teaching materials, and educational psychology.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Tsongas introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources

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 That this Act may be cited as the "National Teacher Re-
- 4 training Demonstration Act of 1982".
- 5 PURPOSE
- 6 SEC. 2. Recognizing the vital role that teachers play in
- 7 the development of the youth of America, it is the purpose of
- 8 this Act to establish and operate demonstration centers de-

1	signed to address changes in teaching techniques, teaching
. 2	materials, and educational psychology, to improve compute
3	literacy among teachers and students, and to overcome a loss
4	of professional enthusiasm common in the teaching profes
5	sion.
6	DEFINITIONS
7	SEC. 3. As used in this Act, the term—
8	(1) "elementary school" has the same meaning
9	given such term under section 198(a)(7) of the Ele-
10	mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965;
11	(2) "local education agency" has the same mean-
12	ing given such term under section 198(a)(10) of such
13	Act;
14	(3) "secondary school" has the same meaning
15	given such term under section 198(a)(7) of such Act
16	(4) "institution of higher education" has the same
17	meaning given such term under section 1201(a) of the
18	Higher Education Act of 1965;
19	(5) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Educa-
20	tion; and
21	(6) "State" includes the several States and the
22	District of Columbia.
23	DEMONSTRATION CENTERS PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION
24	Sec. 4. (a)(1) The Secretary is authorized to make
25	grants to and enter into contracts with teacher retraining

1	demonstration centers established in accordance with para-
2	graph (2) to pay the Federal share of the cost of establishing
3	and operating such centers. The Secretary shall make grants
4	to or enter into contracts under this section for the establish-
5	ment of two such centers emphasizing elementary school
6	teacher retraining programs and two emphasizing secondary
7	school teacher retraining programs.
8	(2) No grant may be made and no contract may be en-
9	tered into under this subsection unless—
10	(A) proposals for Federal assistance under this
11	subsection are solicited from institutions of higher edu-
12	cation, local educational agencies, other appropriate
13	educational organizations, business groups, and other
14	interested nonprofit private organizations by the Secre-
15	tary;
16	(B) proposals for such Federal assistance are de-
17	veloped in consultation with the Secretary and will be
18	consistent with criteria established by the Secretary
19	under subsection (b); and
20	(C) proposals are submitted in an application, con-
21	taining or accompanied by such information as is es-
22	sential to carry out the provisions of this Act, including
23	assurances that the demonstration center will-
24	(i) conduct four- to six-week training periods
25	for the retraining of elementary school teachers

	and secondary school teachers, as the case may
2	e be;
3	(ii) provide a curriculum involving computer
4	literacy, educational psychology of learning,
5	recent developments in teaching techniques and
6	teaching materials, and career counseling, togeth-
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8	of the appropriate business community in the area
9	served by the center;
10	(iii) provide special courses designed to over-
11	come the loss of enthusiasm experienced by teach-
12	ers in midcareer, the special involvement of the
13	community and parents in elementary and second-
14	ary education and the role of education in indus-
15	trial policy in the United States; and
16	(iv) pay from non-Federal sources the re-
17	maining costs of establishing and operating the
18	center.
19	(b)(1) In making grants or entering into contracts under
20	this subsection the Secretary shall consider—
21	(A) the location and nature of the facilities for the
22	center;
23	(B) the quality of the training program;
24	(C) the degree of business participation:

1	(D) the methodology of achieving the goals of the
2	center;
3	(E) the criteria to be established for evaluating
4	the activities of the center; and
5	(F) the provision made for teacher and business
6	participation.
7	(2) No grant may be made and no contract may be en-
8	tered into under this subsection unless the Secretary appoints
9	a review panel consisting of appropriate representatives of
10	educational institutions, the business community, and the De-
11	partment of Education to review the proposals submitted
12	under subsection (b).
13	(c) For the purpose of this section the Federal share
14	shall not exceed 50 per centum of the cost of establishing and
15	operating the teacher retraining demonstration center for
16	which assistance is sought.
17	APPLICABILITY OF THE GENERAL EDUCATION PROVISIONS
18	\mathbf{ACT}
19	Sec. 5. The program authorized by this Act is an appli-
20	cable program under the General Education Provisions Act.
21	AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS
22	Sec. 6. There are authorized to be appropriated
23	\$ for the fiscal year 1984 and for each of the
24	three succeeding fiscal years.