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AMENDMENT NO. 3 Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require the Secretary of Education to report
on the cost of interagency agreements.

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

S. 5046

To prohibit the transfer of certain offices and functions of
the Department of Education to other Federal agencies,
and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by _____

Viz:

1 At the end, add the following:

2 **SEC. ____ . COST ANALYSIS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 weeks after the
4 date of enactment of this Act and each quarter thereafter,
5 the Secretary of Education shall, for each interagency
6 agreement entered into on or after February 1, 2025, by
7 the Secretary with another Federal agency, provide to the
8 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
9 and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and
10 the Committee on Education and Workforce and the Com-
11 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives,

1 and make available to the public in an easily accessible
2 format on the Department's website, a detailed analysis
3 and report that contains information on the actual and
4 estimated obligations for implementing each interagency
5 agreement by each party to such agreements and a com-
6 parison to actual expenditures for carrying out such re-
7 sponsibilities for fiscal year 2024. Each report required
8 under this subsection shall contain, at a minimum, infor-
9 mation on actual and estimated obligations for each of the
10 following:

11 (1) Grant administration, including outreach,
12 grant notices, competitions, review (including peer
13 review), award processes, disbursement, and moni-
14 toring;

15 (2) Training and professional development of
16 Department of Education, other Federal agency, and
17 State and local grantee staff, such as training on
18 transitioning to and using new grant and payment
19 systems, program administration, and application
20 processes.

21 (3) Training of grantees and eligible grant ap-
22 plicants on transitioning to and using new grant and
23 payment systems and processes.

1 (4) Detailing, transferring, relocating, and
2 onboarding Department of Education staff to other
3 Federal agencies.

4 (5) Changes or upgrades to facilities at the De-
5 partment of Education or other Federal agencies.

6 (6) Changes or upgrades to technology and in-
7 frastructure used at the Department of Education or
8 other Federal agencies, or by State and local grant-
9 ees implementing any such interagency agreement.

10 (7) Overhead and administrative expenses at-
11 tributed to each such interagency agreement.

12 (8) Changes in costs of any contracts the De-
13 partment of Education enters into to carry out pro-
14 grams covered by any such interagency agreement.

15 (9) Reductions in force of Department of Edu-
16 cation staff.

17 (b) PROHIBITION ON USE OF TRAVEL FUNDS.—

18 None of the funds made available to the Department of
19 Education for fiscal year 2026 or 2027 under “Program
20 Administration” or “Student Aid Administration” may be
21 obligated or expended for travel expenses of the Secretary
22 of Education unless the Secretary provides the informa-
23 tion required in accordance with subsection (a).