

A Bill to Ensure Student Health by Starting School Hours at Later Times

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Federal funding will be denied to any public school or school
2 district which starts the first period of their school hours before 8:30 AM.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** 1. Federal funding is defined as any school funding given by
4 an agency or division of the federal government.
5 2. Denied is defined as not given.
6 3. First period is defined as the earliest class in which the majority of a
7 school's students are scheduled to attend.
8 4. School hours are defined as the hours of operation in which students are
9 actively being taught.
- 10 **SECTION 3.** This bill will be enforced by the Department of Education.
- 11 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2027.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jack Basso of Cottonwood High School