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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Stop the Sexualization
5 of Children Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Certain school districts that receive Federal
2 grants have implemented sexual education for chil-
3 dren under 10 years of age.

4 (2) Many newly implemented sexual education
5 curriculums encourage discussions of sexuality, sex-
6 ual orientation, transgenderism, and gender ideology
7 as early as kindergarten.

8 (3) State and local library systems, museums,
9 and other educational institutions that receive Fed-
10 eral grants have purchased sexually-oriented lit-
11 erature and materials that target preadolescent chil-
12 dren and teach them about concepts like masturba-
13 tion, pornography, sexual acts, and gender transi-
14 tion.

15 (4) Private organizations, State government
16 agencies, and local government agencies have made
17 use of Federal grants to host and promote sexually-
18 oriented events like drag queen story hours and bur-
19 lesque shows.

20 (5) Federal agencies like the Department of
21 Defense have used Federal funds to promote and
22 host burlesque shows and drag shows on Federal
23 property during family-oriented events.

24 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

25 It is the sense of Congress that—

1 (1) parents and legal guardians have the right
2 and responsibility to determine where, if, when, and
3 how their children are exposed to material of a sex-
4 ual nature; and

5 (2) Federal funds should not be used to expose
6 children under 10 years of age to sexually-oriented
7 material.

8 **SEC. 4. PROHIBITING THE PRESENTATION OF SEXUALLY-**
9 **ORIENTED MATERIALS TO CHILDREN UNDER**
10 **THE AGE OF 10.**

11 (a) **FEDERAL FUNDS LIMITATION.**—No Federal
12 funds may be made available to develop, implement, facili-
13 tate, or fund any sexually-oriented program, event, or lit-
14 erature for children under the age of 10, including hosting
15 or promoting any program, event, or literature involving
16 sexually-oriented material, or any program, event, or lit-
17 erature that exposes children under the age of 10 to nude
18 adults, individuals who are stripping, or lewd or lascivious
19 dancing.

20 (b) **PROHIBITION AT FEDERAL FACILITIES.**—A fed-
21 erally-owned facility or property may not be used to host
22 or promote any sexually-oriented program, event, or lit-
23 erature for children under the age of 10, including any
24 program, event, or literature listed in subsection (a).

25 (c) **CIVIL ACTION.**—

1 (1) PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION.—A parent or
2 legal guardian of a child may bring a civil action for
3 injunctive relief in any Federal district court of ap-
4 propriate jurisdiction against a government official,
5 government agency, or private entity for a violation
6 of subsection (a) or subsection (b) by such an offi-
7 cial, agency, or entity if the child was—

8 (A) exposed to sexually-oriented material
9 funded in part or in whole by Federal funds;
10 and

11 (B) under the age of 10 at the time that
12 such exposure occurred.

13 (2) STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS.—An action
14 under this subsection may commence not later than
15 1 year after a violation occurs under subsection (a)
16 or (b).

17 (3) ATTORNEY'S FEES AND OTHER COSTS.—In
18 any action brought under this subsection, the court,
19 in its discretion, may award a prevailing plaintiff
20 reasonable attorney's fees, expert witness fees, and
21 other costs of litigation.

22 (d) PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FUNDS.—

23 (1) ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT.—The
24 head of a Federal agency may not disburse Federal
25 funds to any Federal program, State or local govern-

1 ment agency, or private entity for 3 fiscal years if
2 that entity receives 2 or more injunctions for viola-
3 tions of subsection (a) or (b) in a 5-year period.

4 (2) NOTIFICATION.—The appropriate head of a
5 Federal agency shall submit to a government agency
6 or private entity written notice of the prohibition on
7 the disbursement of Federal funds under paragraph
8 (1).

9 (3) APPEAL.—Not later than 30 days after re-
10 ceiving a notice pursuant to paragraph (2), a gov-
11 ernment agency or private entity may appeal a pro-
12 hibition on the disbursement of Federal funds under
13 paragraph (1) in an administrative hearing of the
14 appropriate agency.

15 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) SEXUALLY-ORIENTED MATERIAL.—The
17 term “sexually-oriented material” means any depic-
18 tion, description, or simulation of sexual activity,
19 any lewd or lascivious depiction or description of
20 human genitals, or any topic involving gender iden-
21 tity, gender dysphoria, transgenderism, sexual ori-
22 entation, or related subjects.

23 (2) STRIPPING.—The term “stripping” means
24 any act which involves the removal or simulated re-

- 1 removal of clothing in a sexual manner for the enter-
- 2 tainment of one or more individuals.