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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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# 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 “Pell Grant Restoration  
5 Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL PELL GRANT DURATION LIMITS.**

2 Section 401(c)(5) of the Higher Education Act of  
3 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(c)(5)) is amended—

4 (1) by striking “The period” and inserting “(A)  
5 Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the pe-  
6 riod”; and

7 (2) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(B)(i) Any Federal Pell Grant that a stu-  
9 dent received during a period described in sub-  
10 clause (I) or (II) of clause (ii) shall not count  
11 towards the student’s duration limits under this  
12 paragraph.

13 “(ii) Clause (i) shall apply with respect to  
14 any Federal Pell Grant awarded to a student to  
15 attend an institution—

16 “(I) during a period—

17 “(aa) for which the student re-  
18 ceived a loan under this title; and

19 “(bb) for which the loan de-  
20 scribed in item (aa) is forgiven  
21 under—

22 “(AA) section 437(c)(1) or  
23 464(g)(1) due to the closing of  
24 the institution;

25 “(BB) section 455(h) due to  
26 the student’s successful assertion

1 of a defense to repayment of the  
2 loan; or

3 “(CC) section 432(a)(6) of  
4 this Act, section 685.215 of title  
5 34, Code of Federal Regulations  
6 (or a successor regulation), or  
7 any other loan forgiveness provi-  
8 sion or regulation under this Act,  
9 as a result of a determination by  
10 the Secretary or a court that the  
11 institution committed fraud or  
12 other misconduct; or

13 “(II) during a period for which the  
14 student did not receive a loan under this  
15 title but for which, if the student had re-  
16 ceived such a loan, the student would have  
17 qualified for loan forgiveness under sub-  
18 clause (I)(bb).”.