

110TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 5179

To establish in the Department of Education an Assistant Secretary for International and Foreign Language Education and an Office of International and Foreign Language Education.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 29, 2008

Mr. HOLT (for himself, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. MARKEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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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 “International Edu-  
5       cation Leadership Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR**  
2 **INTERNATIONAL AND FOREIGN LANGUAGE**  
3 **EDUCATION.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 202(b)(1) of the Depart-  
5 ment of Education Organization Act (20 U.S.C.  
6 3412(b)(1)) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (E), by striking “and” at  
8 the end;

9 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (F) as sub-  
10 paragraph (G); and

11 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (E) the fol-  
12 lowing:

13 “(F) an Assistant Secretary for International  
14 and Foreign Language Education; and”.

15 (b) **FUNCTIONS.**—Section 202 of such Act is further  
16 amended by adding at the end the following:

17 “(j) The Assistant Secretary for International and  
18 Foreign Language Education—

19 “(1) shall be an individual with extensive back-  
20 ground and experience in international and foreign  
21 language education; and

22 “(2) notwithstanding any other provision of  
23 law, shall report directly the Secretary.”.

24 (c) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Section 202(e) of  
25 such Act is amended—



1           “(2) carry out the administration of all Depart-  
2           ment programs on international and foreign lan-  
3           guage education and research;

4           “(3) coordinate with related international and  
5           foreign language education programs of other Fed-  
6           eral departments and agencies; and

7           “(4) administer and coordinate the Department  
8           of Education’s activities in international affairs.”.

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