

3. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE  
Gillibrand OF New York, OR HER  
DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 363, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MRS. GILLIBRAND OF NEW YORK**

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 10. UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SCIENCE,**  
2 **TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHE-**  
3 **MATICS.**

4 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—The National Science Foun-  
5 dation shall establish a program, to be known as the Un-  
6 dergraduate Scholarships for Science, Technology, Engi-  
7 neering, and Mathematics, or US-STEM, program, for  
8 awarding scholarships to undergraduate scholars in  
9 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

10 (b) **ELIGIBILITY.**—A student is eligible for a scholar-  
11 ship under this section only if the student—

12 (1) is enrolled at a public, 4-year college or uni-  
13 versity;

14 (2) will have completed at least one-half of the  
15 credit requirements for an undergraduate degree be-  
16 fore beginning studies to be funded by the scholar-  
17 ship;

18 (3) has maintained a grade point average in un-  
19 dergraduate studies of at least 3.0 on a scale of 4.0,  
20 or an equivalent level as calculated by the National

1 Science Foundation, except that if the student's in-  
2 stitution appeals this criterion on the basis of undue  
3 hardship on the student, the National Science Foun-  
4 dation may waive this paragraph;

5 (4) has a total family income of less than  
6 \$75,000 per year, with such amount to be adjusted  
7 annually by the National Science Foundation for in-  
8 flation;

9 (5) has not been convicted of a felony; and

10 (6) is a citizen or permanent resident alien of  
11 the United States.

12 (c) SELECTION CRITERIA.—Scholarship recipients  
13 shall be selected on the basis of merit and such other cri-  
14 teria as the National Science Foundation shall establish.

15 (d) AWARDS.—The National Science Foundation  
16 shall announce awards before April 1 for each upcoming  
17 academic year, and may make up to 2,500 awards per  
18 year. Awards may be made for a maximum of 2 academic  
19 years for each student, and scholarship amounts shall be  
20 paid to the institution.

21 (e) ADVISORY BOARD.—The Director of the National  
22 Science Foundation shall establish an advisory board,  
23 which shall make recommendations to the Director for se-  
24 lection criteria for scholarship recipients, and provide  
25 guidance and oversight for the program.

1 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
2 are authorized to be appropriated to the National Science  
3 Foundation for carrying out this section—

4 (1) \$30,000,000 for fiscal year 2009;

5 (2) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

6 (3) \$61,800,000 for fiscal year 2011;

7 (4) \$63,600,000 for fiscal year 2012; and

8 (5) \$65,500,000 for fiscal year 2013.