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H. R. 7189

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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AN ACT

To amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize a national congenital heart disease research, surveillance, and awareness program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Congenital Heart Fu-
3 tures Reauthorization Act of 2024”.

4 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF NATIONAL CONGENITAL**
5 **HEART DISEASE RESEARCH, SURVEILLANCE,**
6 **AND AWARENESS PROGRAM.**

7 Section 399V–2 of the Public Health Service Act (42
8 U.S.C. 280g–13) is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as
10 subsections (g) and (h), respectively;

11 (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-
12 lowing:

13 “(f) REPORT AND STRATEGY.—

14 “(1) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the
15 date of enactment of the Congenital Heart Futures
16 Reauthorization Act of 2024, the Secretary shall
17 issue a report to the Committee on Energy and
18 Commerce of the House of Representatives and the
19 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-
20 sions of the Senate including the following:

21 “(A) A description of past and present ac-
22 tivities of the Department of Health and
23 Human Services to increase awareness and
24 knowledge of the public with respect to con-
25 genital heart disease, including efforts to ad-

1 dress the lifelong needs of congenital heart dis-
2 ease patients.

3 “(B) An assessment of past and present
4 activities of the Department of Health and
5 Human Services to increase education and
6 training of health care providers with respect to
7 congenital heart disease, including efforts to ad-
8 dress the lifelong needs of congenital heart dis-
9 ease patients.

10 “(C) A description of the current work-
11 force capacity in the United States of health
12 care providers who treat adult patients living
13 with congenital heart disease.

14 “(2) STRATEGY.—

15 “(A) DEVELOPMENT; SUBMISSION TO CON-
16 GRESS.—Not later than 1 year after submitting
17 the report required by paragraph (1), the Sec-
18 retary shall develop and submit to Congress a
19 strategy for improving efforts to increase
20 awareness and knowledge of the public and edu-
21 cation and training of health care providers
22 with respect to congenital heart disease. Such
23 strategy shall include findings and rec-
24 ommendations to—

1 “(i) address any public awareness and
2 research gaps and opportunities related to
3 the lifelong needs of congenital heart dis-
4 ease patients, including long-term health
5 outcomes, quality of life, mental health,
6 and health care utilization;

7 “(ii) address any shortages in the cur-
8 rent workforce of health care providers
9 who treat adult patients living with con-
10 genital heart disease, which may include
11 strategies to enhance fellowship training
12 programs or other continuing education
13 programs; and

14 “(iii) foster collaboration and dissemi-
15 nation of information across Federal agen-
16 cies, health care providers, researchers,
17 and patient organizations.

18 “(B) CONSULTATION.—In developing the
19 strategy under subparagraph (A), the Secretary
20 shall, as appropriate, consult with qualified
21 stakeholder groups, including patient organiza-
22 tions, health care professionals, research enti-
23 ties, health insurance providers, accrediting or-
24 ganizations, and relevant Federal agencies, in-
25 cluding the Centers for Disease Control and

1 Prevention, the National Institutes of Health,
2 and the Health Resources and Services Admin-
3 istration.”; and

4 (3) in subsection (h), as so redesignated, by
5 striking “2020 through 2024” and inserting “2025
6 through 2029”.

 Passed the House of Representatives September 23,
2024.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.