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To amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. ANDREWS, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. BACA, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. OLVER, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. CAPPS, Mrs. WILSON, Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. FROST, and Mr. REYES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Comprehensive Tuber-
3 culosis Elimination Act of 2001”.

4 **TITLE I—INTERAGENCY**
5 **COLLABORATION**

6 **SEC. 101. COMMITTEE ON INTERAGENCY COLLABORATION**
7 **FOR TUBERCULOSIS ELIMINATION.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
9 Human Services shall provide for the ongoing operation
10 of a committee to be known as the Committee on Inter-
11 agency Collaboration for Tuberculosis Elimination.

12 (b) DUTIES.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—For the purpose of making
14 progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis,
15 the Committee shall provide to the Secretary and
16 other appropriate Federal officials advice on coordi-
17 nating the activities of the Public Health Service
18 and other Federal agencies that relate to such dis-
19 ease and on efficiently utilizing the Federal re-
20 sources involved. In carrying out this subsection, the
21 Committee shall consider the recommendations of
22 the Institute of Medicine regarding the elimination
23 of tuberculosis.

24 (2) NATIONAL PLAN.—In carrying out para-
25 graph (1), the Committee, in consultation with ap-
26 propriate public and private entities, shall make rec-

1 ommendations on the development and implementa-
2 tion of a national plan that, with respect to tuber-
3 culosis, provides for training and education for
4 health care workers, persons with or at-risk of such
5 disease, and the general public.

6 (3) GLOBAL ACTIVITIES.—In carrying out para-
7 graph (1), the Committee, in consultation with ap-
8 propriate public and private entities, shall make rec-
9 ommendations for the development and implementa-
10 tion of a plan to guide the involvement of the United
11 States in global tuberculosis-control activities, in-
12 cluding recommendations regarding policies, strate-
13 gies, objectives, and priorities. Such recommenda-
14 tions for the plan shall have a focus on high-burden
15 countries and on access to directly observed treat-
16 ment, short course (commonly known as DOTS).

17 (c) COMPOSITION.—The Committee shall be com-
18 posed of—

19 (1) representatives from the Centers for Dis-
20 ease Control and Prevention, the National Institutes
21 of Health, the Agency for Healthcare Research and
22 Quality, and all other Federal departments and
23 agencies that carry out activities relating to tuber-
24 culosis; and

1 (2) members appointed from among individuals
 2 who are not officers or employees of the Federal
 3 Government.

4 (d) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

5 (1) The term “Committee” means the Com-
 6 mittee on Interagency Collaboration for Tuberculosis
 7 Elimination.

8 (2) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary
 9 of Health and Human Services.

10 **TITLE II—CENTERS FOR DIS-**
 11 **EASE CONTROL AND PREVEN-**
 12 **TION**

13 **SEC. 201. NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR TUBERCULOSIS ELIMI-**
 14 **NATION.**

15 Section 317E of the Public Health Service Act (42
 16 U.S.C. 247b–6) is amended—

17 (1) by striking the heading for the section and
 18 inserting the following:

19 “NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR TUBERCULOSIS
 20 ELIMINATION”;

21 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
 22 lows:

23 “(b) RESEARCH, DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS, EDU-
 24 CATION, AND TRAINING.—With respect to the prevention,
 25 control, and elimination of tuberculosis, the Secretary

1 may, directly or through grants to public or nonprofit pri-
2 vate entities, carry out the following:

3 “(1) Research, with priority given to research
4 concerning—

5 “(A) diagnosis and treatment of latent in-
6 fection of tuberculosis;

7 “(B) strains of tuberculosis resistant to
8 drugs;

9 “(C) cases of tuberculosis that affect cer-
10 tain populations; and

11 “(D) clinical trials, including a tuberculosis
12 trials consortium.

13 “(2) Demonstration projects for—

14 “(A) the development of regional capabili-
15 ties for the prevention, control, and elimination
16 of tuberculosis; and

17 “(B) collaboration with the Immigration
18 and Naturalization Service to identify and treat
19 immigrants with active or latent tuberculosis in-
20 fection.

21 “(3) Public information and education pro-
22 grams.

23 “(4) Education, training and clinical skills im-
24 provement activities for health professionals, includ-
25 ing allied health personnel.

1 “(5) Support of model centers to carry out ac-
2 tivities under paragraphs (1) through (4).

3 “(6) Collaboration with international organiza-
4 tions and foreign countries in carrying out such ac-
5 tivities, including coordinating activities through the
6 Committee on Interagency Collaboration for Tuber-
7 culosis Elimination.”;

8 (3) in subsection (f), by adding at the end the
9 following:

10 “(4) ANNUAL REPORTS.—The Council shall an-
11 nually submit to the Congress and the Secretary a
12 report on the activities carried out under this sub-
13 section. The report shall include the opinion of the
14 Council on the extent to which the recommendations
15 of the Institute of Medicine regarding tuberculosis
16 have been implemented.”; and

17 (4) by amending subsection (g) to read as fol-
18 lows:

19 “(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the
20 purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized
21 to be appropriated \$528,000,000 for fiscal year 2002, and
22 such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years
23 2003 through 2006.”.

1 **TITLE III—NATIONAL**
2 **INSTITUTES OF HEALTH**

3 **SEC. 301. ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND**
4 **BLOOD INSTITUTE.**

5 Subpart 2 of part C of title IV of the Public Health
6 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 285b et seq.) is amended by insert-
7 ing after section 424B the following section:

8 “TUBERCULOSIS

9 “SEC. 424C. (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the
10 Institute shall expand, intensify, and coordinate research
11 and related activities of the Institute with respect to tuber-
12 culosis, including activities toward the goal of eliminating
13 such disease.

14 “(b) CERTAIN ACTIVITIES.—Activities under sub-
15 section (a) shall include—

16 “(1) enhancing basic and clinical research on
17 tuberculosis; and

18 “(2) expanding research on the relationship be-
19 tween such disease and the human immunodeficiency
20 virus.

21 “(c) RESEARCH EDUCATION.—

22 “(1) TUBERCULOSIS ACADEMIC AWARDS.—The
23 Director of the Institute may provide awards to fac-
24 ulty of schools of medicine or osteopathic medicine
25 to assist such faculty in developing high quality cur-

1 rricula in such schools designed to significantly in-
2 crease the opportunities for interested individuals,
3 including students of the school and practicing phy-
4 sicians and nurses, to learn the principles and prac-
5 tices of preventing, managing, and controlling tuber-
6 culosis.

7 “(2) TUBERCULOSIS/PULMONARY INFECTION
8 AWARDS.—The Director of the Institute may provide
9 awards to support the career development of clini-
10 cally trained professionals who are committed to re-
11 search regarding pulmonary infections and tuber-
12 culosis by providing for supervised study and re-
13 search.

14 “(3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

15 “(A) TUBERCULOSIS ACADEMIC
16 AWARDS.—For the purpose of carrying out
17 paragraph (1), there are authorized to be ap-
18 propriated \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2002, and
19 such sums as may be necessary for each of the
20 fiscal years 2003 through 2006.

21 “(B) TUBERCULOSIS/PULMONARY INFEC-
22 TION AWARDS.—For the purpose of carrying
23 out paragraph (2), there are authorized to be
24 appropriated \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2002,

1 and such sums as may be necessary for each of
2 the fiscal years 2003 through 2006.”.

3 **SEC. 302. ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF AL-**
4 **LERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES.**

5 Section 447A of the Public Health Service Act (42
6 U.S.C. 285f-2) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-
8 section (c);

9 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
10 lowing subsection:

11 “(b) Activities under subsection (a) shall include ac-
12 tivities to develop a tuberculosis vaccine. Such activities
13 shall be carried out in accordance with the blueprint for
14 tuberculosis vaccine development described in the report
15 prepared pursuant to the workshop convened in March
16 1998 by the Advisory Council for Elimination of Tuber-
17 culosis, the Director of the National Vaccine Program,
18 and the Director of the Institute.”; and

19 (3) in subsection (c) (as so redesignated), in the
20 first sentence—

21 (A) by striking “and” after “1994,”; and

22 (B) by inserting before the period the fol-
23 lowing: “, \$240,000,000 for fiscal year 2002,
24 and such sums as may be necessary for each of
25 the fiscal years 2003 through 2006”.

1 **SEC. 303. JOHN E. FOGARTY INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR**
2 **ADVANCED STUDY IN THE HEALTH**
3 **SCIENCES.**

4 Section 482 of the Public Health Service Act (42
5 U.S.C. 287b) is amended—

6 (1) by inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—” before
7 “The general purpose”;

8 (2) in subsection (a) (as so designated), by in-
9 sserting after “Health Sciences” the following: “(in
10 this subpart referred to as the ‘Center’)”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following sub-
12 section:

13 “(b) TUBERCULOSIS.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out subsection
15 (a) with respect to tuberculosis, the Center shall ex-
16 pand, intensify, and coordinate international activi-
17 ties of the Center for research and training.

18 “(2) INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM.—In
19 carrying out paragraph (1), the Center shall carry
20 out an international training program regarding tu-
21 berculosis. Such program shall be modeled after the
22 international training program carried out by the
23 Center with respect to the human immunodeficiency
24 virus.”.

1 **SEC. 304. LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAMS REGARDING RE-**
2 **SEARCH ON TUBERCULOSIS.**

3 Part G of title IV of the Public Health Service Act
4 (42 U.S.C. 288 et seq.) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating the second section 487F as
6 section 487G; and

7 (2) by inserting after section 487G (as so re-
8 designated) the following section:

9 “LOAN REPAYMENTS REGARDING RESEARCH ON
10 TUBERCULOSIS

11 “SEC. 487H. In carrying out sections 487C, 487E,
12 and 487F, the Secretary shall seek to ensure that, for fis-
13 cal year 2002 and subsequent fiscal years, a portion of
14 amounts appropriated to carry out such sections is re-
15 served for the purpose of entering into contracts under
16 which (in accordance with the section involved) individuals
17 will conduct research on tuberculosis.”.

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