

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4680

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend the period for certain teaching hospitals to establish full-time equivalent residency caps for new residency training programs impacted by the COVID–19 pandemic, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 17, 2023

Mr. HARDER of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Train More Doctors
5 Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. TWO-YEAR EXTENSION OF GRADUATE MEDICAL**
2 **EDUCATION FTE RESIDENT CAP BUILDING**
3 **PERIOD FOR CERTAIN TEACHING HOSPITALS**
4 **IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH**
5 **EMERGENCY.**

6 Section 1886(h)(4)(H)(i) of the Social Security Act
7 (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(h)(4)(H)(i)) is amended by adding at
8 the end the following new subclause:

9 “(VI)(aa) In applying this clause in
10 the case of a hospital that first began
11 training residents in a new approved med-
12 ical residency training program or pro-
13 grams on or after July 1, 2018, and before
14 July 1, 2021, in determining the limitation
15 on the number of total full time equivalent
16 residents under subparagraphs (F) and
17 (G) and under clauses (v) and (vi)(I) of
18 subsection (d)(5)(B) with respect to such
19 new approved medical residency training
20 program or programs of such hospital, the
21 Secretary shall extend by two years the cap
22 building period (as defined in item (bb))
23 applicable to such new approved medical
24 residency training program or programs of
25 such hospital to take into account the im-

1 pact of the COVID–19 public health emer-
2 gency on such program or programs.

3 “(bb) For purposes of item (aa), the
4 term ‘cap building period’ means the 5-
5 year period used to calculate the total ad-
6 justment of the limitation under subpara-
7 graph (F) for a hospital for a new ap-
8 proved medical residency training program
9 under the relevant provisions of para-
10 graphs (d) and (e) of section 413.79 of
11 title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, and
12 such other relevant provisions of such reg-
13 ulations (as in effect on the date of the en-
14 actment of this subclause).”.

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