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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 9, 2011

Mr. Burgess (for himself, Mr. Terry, Mrs. Miller of Michigan, Mr. Towns, Mr. Shimkus, Mr. Ross of Arkansas, Mr. Gingrey of Georgia, Mr. Engel, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Payne, Mr. Rogers of Michigan, Mrs. Myrick, Mr. Butterfield, Mr. McCotter, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. Runyan, Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Scalise, Mr. Lee of New York, Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Latta, Mr. Stearns, Mr. Whitfield, and Mr. Dold) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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Additional sponsors: Mr. Weiner, Mr. Gene Green of Texas, and Mr. McKinley

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SEC. 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Dental Emergency Re-
sponder Act of 2011”.

SEC. 2. DENTAL EMERGENCY RESPONDERS: PUBLIC
HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESPONSE.

(a) NATIONAL HEALTH SECURITY STRATEGY.—Sec-
tion 2802(b)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42
U.S.C. 300hh–1(b)(3)) is amended—

(1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),
by inserting “and which may include dental health
facilities” after “mental health facilities”; and

(2) in subparagraph (D), by inserting “(which
may include such dental health assets)” after “med-
ical assets”.

(b) ALL-HAZARDS PUBLIC HEALTH AND MEDICAL
RESPONSE CURRICULA AND TRAINING.—Section
319F(a)(5)(B) of the Public Health Service Act (42
U.S.C. 247d–6(a)(5)(B)) is amended by striking “public
health or medical” and inserting “public health, medical,
or dental”.

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