

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 2167

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 25 (legislative day, JUNE 24), 2025

Mr. HICKENLOOPER (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mrs. MURRAY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## 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 “Health Care for En-  
5       ergy Workers Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF AUTHORITY TO FURNISH MEDICAL**  
 2 **BENEFITS.**

3 Section 3629 of the Energy Employees Occupational  
 4 Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C.  
 5 7384t) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating subsections (c) through (f)  
 7 as subsections (d) through (g), respectively; and

8 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
 9 lowing new subsection (c):

10 “(c) **ORDERS BY NURSE PRACTITIONERS AND PHYSI-**  
 11 **CIAN ASSISTANTS.**—For purposes of subsections (a) and  
 12 (b), a nurse practitioner or physician assistant, acting  
 13 within the scope of their practice under State law and in  
 14 accordance with such regulations and instructions as the  
 15 President deems necessary, may prescribe, recommend, or  
 16 order services, appliances, and supplies for an individual  
 17 receiving medical benefits under this section for an ill-  
 18 ness.”.

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