H. R. 1637

To amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the provision to at-risk communities of services under the program of block grants for the prevention and treatment of substance abuse.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 15, 1997

Ms. Waters (for herself, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Hilliard, Mr. Jackson of Illinois, Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas, Ms. McKinney, Mrs. Meek of Florida, Mr. Thompson, Ms. Brown of Florida, Mr. Rush, Mr. Towns, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Stokes, Mr. Conyers, Mr. Dellums, Mr. Rangel, Mrs. Clayton, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Clyburn, Mr. Ford, Mr. Davis of Illinois, Mr. Owens, Mr. Watt of North Carolina, Mr. Wynn, Mr. Scott, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Ms. Christian-Green, Ms. Carson, Ms. Norton, Mr. Payne, Mr. Clay, Mr. Jefferson, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, Mr. Fattah, Mr. Lewis of Georgia, and Ms. Millender-McDonald) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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. AMENDMENTS TO PROGRAM OF BLOCK
2	GRANTS FOR PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
3	OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE.
4	(a) Provision Regarding Increase of Appro-
5	PRIATIONS BY \$150 MILLION.—Section 1935(a) of the
6	Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300x-35(a)) is
7	amended—
8	(1) by striking "and" after "1993,"; and
9	(2) by inserting before the period the following:
10	$^{\circ}1,460,107,000$, for fiscal year 1998, and such sums
11	as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years
12	1999 through 2002".
13	(b) Allocation of Increase in Appropria-
14	TIONS.—Section 1922 of the Public Health Service Act
15	(42 U.S.C. 300x-22) is amended by adding at the end
16	the following subsection:
17	"(d) Allocation for At-Risk Communities.—
18	"(1) In general.—A funding agreement for a
19	grant under section 1921 is that, in expending the
20	grant, the State involved will expend not less than
21	10.28 percent to carry out a program for the preven-
22	tion and treatment of cases of drug abuse in com-
23	munities with a significant number of individuals
24	who are at risk of developing such cases (which per-
25	centage is in addition to any other amount that
26	under this subpart is required to be allocated for

1	such individuals), and that the program will be car-
2	ried out in accordance with the following:
3	"(A) In the provision of treatment activi-
4	ties under the program, priority will be given to
5	low-income individuals with such cases.
6	"(B) In carrying out prevention activities
7	under the program, priority will be given to low-
8	income individuals who are at risk for such
9	cases.
10	"(C) Treatment and prevention activities
11	under the program will be designed for particu-
12	lar populations with the goal of communicating
13	with the individuals of the population involved
14	in the language and cultural context that, with
15	respect to drug abuse, will be most effective in
16	producing behavioral changes in the individuals.
17	"(2) Use of mass communications.—With
18	respect to compliance with the agreement made

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radio, or other means of mass communication.".

under paragraph (1), this subpart does not preclude

carrying out prevention activities through billboards,

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