

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2794

To authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make payments to hospitals under the Medicare Program for costs associated with training psychologists, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 5, 1999

Mr. STRICKLAND introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORITY TO INCLUDE COSTS OF TRAINING**
2 **OF PSYCHOLOGISTS, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS,**
3 **AND NURSE PRACTITIONERS IN PAYMENTS**
4 **TO HOSPITALS UNDER MEDICARE.**

5 Effective for cost reporting periods beginning on or
6 after October 1, 1999, for purposes of payments to hos-
7 pitals under the medicare program under title XVIII of
8 the Social Security Act for costs of approved educational
9 activities (as defined in section 413.85 of title 42 of the
10 Code of Federal Regulations), such approved educational
11 activities shall include professional educational training
12 programs, recognized by the Secretary, for psychologists,
13 physician assistants, and nurse practitioners.

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