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H. R. 4086

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to carry out programs to improve recovery rates for organs in eligible hospitals.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 9, 2002

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Floyd D. Spence
5 Organ Coordination Improvement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM OF GRANTS RE-**
2 **GARDING HOSPITAL ORGAN DONATION CO-**
3 **ORDINATORS.**

4 Part H of title III of the Public Health Service Act
5 (42 U.S.C. 273 et seq.) is amended by inserting after sec-
6 tion 374 the following:

7 **“SEC. 374A. GRANTS REGARDING HOSPITAL ORGAN DONA-**
8 **TION COORDINATORS.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

10 “(1) GRANTS.—The Secretary may make
11 grants to qualified organ procurement organizations
12 described in section 371 for the purpose of assisting
13 such entities in carrying out programs to coordinate
14 the activities of eligible hospitals that relate to seek-
15 ing organ donations, in order to make progress to-
16 ward the goal of increasing the rate of organ dona-
17 tion for the eligible hospitals involved.

18 “(2) ELIGIBLE HOSPITAL.—For purposes of
19 this section, the term “eligible hospital” means a
20 public or nonprofit private hospital that performs
21 significant trauma care, or a public or nonprofit pri-
22 vate hospital or consortium of such hospitals that
23 serves a population base of not fewer than 200,000
24 individuals.

25 “(b) PREFERENCE IN MAKING GRANTS.—In making
26 grants under subsection (a), the Secretary shall give pref-

1 erence to an applicant if the Secretary determines that
2 the probable result of such a grant would be a significant
3 increase in the rate of organ donation for the eligible hos-
4 pital involved.

5 “(c) ADMINISTRATION OF COORDINATION PRO-
6 GRAM.—A condition for the receipt of a grant under sub-
7 section (a) is that the applicant involved agree that the
8 program to be carried out under such grant will be carried
9 out jointly—

10 “(1) by representatives of the eligible hospitals
11 involved and the qualified organ procurement organi-
12 zation with respect to which the grant is made; and

13 “(2) by such other entities as the representa-
14 tives referred to in paragraph (1) may designate.

15 “(d) EVALUATIONS; REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

16 “(1) EVALUATIONS.—The Secretary shall, di-
17 rectly or through contracts with public or private en-
18 tities, provide for annual evaluations of programs
19 carried out pursuant to subsection (a) in order to
20 determine the extent to which the programs have in-
21 creased the rate of organ donation for the eligible
22 hospitals involved.

23 “(2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after
24 the date on which amounts are first appropriated
25 pursuant to subsection (e), and annually thereafter,

1 the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate com-
2 mittees of the Congress a report that summarizes
3 evaluations under paragraph (1).

4 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the
5 purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized
6 to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for
7 each of the fiscal years 2002 through 2006.”.

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