108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4905

To amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Healthy Start Initiative.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 22, 2004

Mr. Upton (for himself, Mr. Towns, Mr. Pickering, Mr. Cummings, Mrs. Capito, Ms. Delauro, Mr. Spratt, Mr. Rush, Mr. Marshall, and Mr. Davis of Illinois) 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 "Healthy Start Reau-
- 5 thorization Act of 2004".
- 6 SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO HEALTHY START INITIATIVE.
- 7 (a) Considerations in Making Grants.—Section
- 8 330H(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
- 9 254c-8(b)) is amended—

1	(1) by striking "(b) Requirements" and all
2	that follows through "In making grants under sub-
3	section (a)" and inserting the following: "(b) Con-
4	SIDERATIONS IN MAKING GRANTS.—
5	"(1) Requirements.—In making grants under
6	subsection (a)"; and
7	(2) by adding at the end the following para-
8	graph:
9	"(2) Other considerations.—In making
10	grants under subsection (a), the Secretary shall take
11	into consideration the following:
12	"(A) Factors that contribute to infant
13	mortality, such as low birthweight.
14	"(B) The extent to which applicants for
15	such grants facilitate—
16	"(i) a community-based approach to
17	the delivery of services; and
18	"(ii) a comprehensive approach to
19	women's health care to improve perinatal
20	outcomes.".
21	(b) Other Grants.—Section 330H of the Public
22	Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c-8) is amended—
23	(1) in subsection (a), by striking paragraph (3);
24	and
25	(2) by striking subsections (e) and (f).

(c) Funding.—Section 330H of the Public Health 1 2 Service Act, as amended by subsection (b) of this section, 3 is amended by adding at the end the following subsection: 4 "(e) Funding.— 5 "(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.— 6 For the purpose of carrying out this section, there 7 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2005 8 9 through 2010. 10 "(2) Allocation.— "(A) PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION.—Of the 11 12 amounts appropriated under paragraph (1) for 13 a fiscal year, the Secretary may reserve up to 14 5 percent for coordination, dissemination, tech-15 nical assistance, and data activities that are de-16 termined by the Secretary to be appropriate for 17 carrying out the program under this section. 18 "(B) EVALUATION.—Of the amounts ap-19 propriated under paragraph (1) for a fiscal 20 year, the Secretary may reserve up to 1 percent 21 for evaluations of projects carried out under 22 subsection (a). Each such evaluation shall in-23 clude a determination of whether such projects

have been effective in reducing the disparity in

health status between the general population

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and individuals who are members of racial or
ethnic minority groups.".

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