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To improve the health of women through the establishment of Offices of Women's Health within the Department of Health and Human Services.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mrs. CAPPES, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CROWLEY, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. SUTTON, and Mr. FATTAH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

To improve the health of women through the establishment of Offices of Women's Health within the Department of Health and Human Services.

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 "Women's Health Office  
5       Act of 2007".

1 **SEC. 2. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE ON WOM-**2 **EN'S HEALTH.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Part A of title II of the Pub-  
4 lic Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 202 et seq.) is amended  
5 by adding at the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 229. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE ON**7 **WOMEN'S HEALTH.**

8 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE.—There is estab-  
9 lished within the Office of the Secretary, an Office on  
10 Women's Health (referred to in this section as the ‘Of-  
11 fice’). The Office shall be headed by a Deputy Assistant  
12 Secretary for Women's Health who may report to the Sec-  
13 retary.

14 “(b) DUTIES.—The Secretary, acting through the Of-  
15 fice, with respect to the health concerns of women, shall—

16 “(1) establish short-range and long-range goals  
17 and objectives within the Department of Health and  
18 Human Services and, as relevant and appropriate,  
19 coordinate with other appropriate offices on activi-  
20 ties within the Department that relate to disease  
21 prevention, health promotion, service delivery, re-  
22 search, and public and health care professional edu-  
23 cation, for issues of particular concern to women;

24 “(2) provide expert advice and consultation to  
25 the Secretary concerning scientific, legal, ethical,  
26 and policy issues relating to women's health;

1           “(3) monitor the Department of Health and  
2       Human Services’ offices, agencies, and regional ac-  
3       tivities regarding women’s health and stimulate ac-  
4       tivities and facilitate coordination of such depart-  
5       mental and agency offices on women’s health;

6           “(4) establish a Department of Health and  
7       Human Services Coordinating Committee on Wom-  
8       en’s Health, which shall be chaired by the Deputy  
9       Assistant Secretary for Women’s Health and com-  
10       posed of senior level representatives from each of the  
11       agencies and offices of the Department of Health  
12       and Human Services;

13       “(5) establish a National Women’s Health In-  
14       formation Center to—

15           “(A) facilitate the exchange of information  
16       regarding matters relating to health informa-  
17       tion, health promotion, preventive health serv-  
18       ices, research advances, and education in the  
19       appropriate use of health care;

20           “(B) facilitate access to such information;

21           “(C) assist in the analysis of issues and  
22       problems relating to the matters described in  
23       this paragraph; and

24           “(D) provide technical assistance with re-  
25       spect to the exchange of information (including

1           facilitating the development of materials for  
2           such technical assistance);

3           “(6) coordinate efforts to promote women’s  
4           health programs and policies with the private sector;  
5           and

6           “(7) through publications and any other means  
7           appropriate, provide for the exchange of information  
8           between the Office and recipients of grants, con-  
9           tracts, and agreements under subsection (c), and be-  
10           tween the Office and health professionals and the  
11           general public.

12           “(c) GRANTS AND CONTRACTS REGARDING DU-  
13           TIES.—

14           “(1) AUTHORITY.—In carrying out subsection  
15           (b), the Secretary may make grants to, and enter  
16           into cooperative agreements, contracts, and inter-  
17           agency agreements with, public and private entities,  
18           agencies, and organizations.

19           “(2) EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION.—The  
20           Secretary shall directly or through contracts with  
21           public and private entities, agencies, and organiza-  
22           tions, provide for evaluations of projects carried out  
23           with financial assistance provided under paragraph  
24           (1) and for the dissemination of information devel-  
25           oped as a result of such projects.

1       “(d) REPORTS.—Not later than 1 year after the date  
2 of enactment of this section, and every second year there-  
3 after, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to the appro-  
4 priate committees of Congress a report describing the ac-  
5 tivities carried out under this section during the period  
6 for which the report is being prepared.

7       “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the  
8 purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized  
9 to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for  
10 each of the fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

11       “(f) LIMITATION ON TERMINATION OF OFFICE.—  
12 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Office es-  
13 tablished under this section may not be terminated, reor-  
14 ganized, or have any of its powers or duties transferred  
15 unless such termination, reorganization, or transfer is ap-  
16 proved by Congress through the adoption of a concurrent  
17 resolution of approval.”.

18       (b) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—There are trans-  
19 ferred to the Office on Women’s Health (established under  
20 section 229 of the Public Health Service Act, as added  
21 by this section), all functions exercised by the Office on  
22 Women’s Health of the Public Health Service prior to the  
23 date of enactment of this section, including all personnel  
24 and compensation authority, all delegation and assign-  
25 ment authority, and all remaining appropriations. All or-

1 ders, determinations, rules, regulations, permits, agree-  
2 ments, grants, contracts, certificates, licenses, regis-  
3 trations, privileges, and other administrative actions that—

4 (1) have been issued, made, granted, or allowed  
5 to become effective by the President, any Federal  
6 agency or official thereof, or by a court of competent  
7 jurisdiction, in the performance of functions trans-  
8 ferred under this subsection; and

9 (2) are in effect at the time this section takes  
10 effect, or were final before the date of enactment of  
11 this section and are to become effective on or after  
12 such date;

13 shall continue in effect according to their terms until  
14 modified, terminated, superseded, set aside, or revoked in  
15 accordance with law by the President, the Secretary, or  
16 other authorized official, a court of competent jurisdiction,  
17 or by operation of law.

18 **SEC. 3. CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVEN-**

19 **TION OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH.**

20 Part A of title III of the Public Health Service Act  
21 (42 U.S.C. 241 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
22 the following:

1   **“SEC. 310A. CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVEN-**2                   **TION OFFICE OF WOMEN’S HEALTH.**3               “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within  
4   the Office of the Director of the Centers for Disease Con-  
5   trol and Prevention, an office to be known as the Office  
6   of Women’s Health (referred to in this section as the ‘Of-  
7   fice’). The Office shall be headed by a director who shall  
8   be appointed by the Director of such Centers.

9               “(b) PURPOSE.—The Director of the Office shall—

10               “(1) report to the Director of the Centers for  
11   Disease Control and Prevention on the current level  
12   of the Centers’ activity regarding women’s health  
13   conditions across, where appropriate, age, biological,  
14   and sociocultural contexts, in all aspects of the Cen-  
15   ters’ work, including prevention programs, public  
16   and professional education, services, and treatment;17               “(2) establish short-range and long-range goals  
18   and objectives within the Centers for women’s health  
19   and, as relevant and appropriate, coordinate with  
20   other appropriate offices on activities within the  
21   Centers that relate to prevention, research, edu-  
22   cation and training, service delivery, and policy de-  
23   velopment, for issues of particular concern to  
24   women;25               “(3) identify projects in women’s health that  
26   should be conducted or supported by the Centers;

1           “(4) consult with health professionals, non-  
2        governmental organizations, consumer organizations,  
3        women’s health professionals, and other individuals  
4        and groups, as appropriate, on the policy of the Cen-  
5        ters with regard to women; and

6           “(5) serve as a member of the Department of  
7        Health and Human Services Coordinating Com-  
8        mittee on Women’s Health (established under sec-  
9        tion 229(b)(4)).

10       “(c) COORDINATING COMMITTEE.—

11       “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—In carrying out sub-  
12      section (b), the Director of the Office shall establish  
13      a committee to be known as the Coordinating Com-  
14      mittee on Women’s Health (referred to in this sub-  
15      section as the ‘Coordinating Committee’).

16       “(2) COMPOSITION.—The Coordinating Com-  
17      mittee shall be composed of the directors of the na-  
18      tional centers and other appropriate officials of the  
19      Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

20       “(3) CHAIRPERSON.—The Director of the Of-  
21      fice shall serve as the Chairperson of the Coordin-  
22      ating Committee.

23       “(4) DUTIES.—With respect to women’s health,  
24      the Coordinating Committee shall assist the Director  
25      of the Office in—

1               “(A) identifying the need for programs and  
2               activities that focus on women’s health;

3               “(B) identifying needs regarding the co-  
4               ordination of activities, including intramural  
5               and extramural multidisciplinary activities; and

6               “(C) making recommendations to the Di-  
7               rector of the Centers for Disease Control and  
8               Prevention concerning findings made under  
9               subparagraphs (A) and (B).

10               “(d) REPORTS.—Not later than 1 year after the date  
11               of enactment of this section, and every second year there-  
12               after, the Director of the Office shall prepare and submit  
13               to the appropriate committees of Congress a report de-  
14               scribing the activities carried out under this section during  
15               the period for which the report is being prepared.

16               “(e) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term  
17               ‘women’s health conditions’, with respect to women of all  
18               age, ethnic, and racial groups, means diseases, disorders,  
19               and conditions—

20               “(1) unique to, significantly more serious for,  
21               or significantly more prevalent in women; and

22               “(2) for which the factors of medical risk or  
23               type of medical intervention are different for women,  
24               or for which there is reasonable evidence that indi-

1       cates that such factors or types may be different for  
2       women.

3       “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the  
4       purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized  
5       to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for  
6       each of the fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

7       “(g) LIMITATION ON TERMINATION OF OFFICE.—  
8       Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Office es-  
9       tablished under this section may not be terminated, reor-  
10       ganized, or have any of its powers or duties transferred  
11       unless such termination, reorganization, or transfer is ap-  
12       proved by Congress through the adoption of a concurrent  
13       resolution of approval.”.

14 **SEC. 4. OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH RESEARCH.**

15       Section 486(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
16       U.S.C. 287d(a)) is amended by inserting “and who shall  
17       report directly to the Director” before the period at the  
18       end thereof .

19 **SEC. 5. SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERV-  
20                   ICES ADMINISTRATION.**

21       Section 501(f) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
22       U.S.C. 290aa(f)) is amended—

23               (1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “who shall  
24               report directly to the Administrator” before the pe-  
25               riod;

(2) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (5); and

3 (3) by inserting after paragraph (3), the fol-  
4 lowing:

5                   “(4) OFFICE.—Nothing in this subsection shall  
6                   be construed to preclude the Secretary from estab-  
7                   lishing within the Substance Abuse and Mental  
8                   Health Administration an Office of Women’s  
9                   Health.”.

10 SEC. 6. AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUAL-  
11 ITY ACTIVITIES REGARDING WOMEN'S  
12 HEALTH.

13        Part C of title IX of the Public Health Service Act  
14 (42 U.S.C. 299c et seq.) is amended—

15 (1) by redesignating sections 937 and 938 as  
16 sections 938 and 939, respectively;

17 (2) by inserting after section 936 the following:

## 18. "SEC. 937. ACTIVITIES REGARDING WOMEN'S HEALTH.

19        “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within  
20 the Office of the Director, an Office of Women’s Health  
21 and Gender-Based Research (referred to in this section  
22 as the ‘Office’). The Office shall be headed by a director  
23 who shall be appointed by the Director of Healthcare and  
24 Research Quality.

1       “(b) PURPOSE.—The official designated under sub-  
2 section (a) shall—

3           “(1) report to the Director on the current  
4 Agency level of activity regarding women’s health,  
5 across, where appropriate, age, biological, and  
6 sociocultural contexts, in all aspects of Agency work,  
7 including the development of evidence reports and  
8 clinical practice protocols and the conduct of re-  
9 search into patient outcomes, delivery of health care  
10 services, quality of care, and access to health care;

11           “(2) establish short-range and long-range goals  
12 and objectives within the Agency for research impor-  
13 tant to women’s health and, as relevant and appro-  
14 priate, coordinate with other appropriate offices on  
15 activities within the Agency that relate to health  
16 services and medical effectiveness research, for  
17 issues of particular concern to women;

18           “(3) identify projects in women’s health that  
19 should be conducted or supported by the Agency;

20           “(4) consult with health professionals, non-  
21 governmental organizations, consumer organizations,  
22 women’s health professionals, and other individuals  
23 and groups, as appropriate, on Agency policy with  
24 regard to women; and

1               “(5) serve as a member of the Department of  
2       Health and Human Services Coordinating Com-  
3       mittee on Women’s Health (established under sec-  
4       tion 229(b)(4)).

5       “(c) COORDINATING COMMITTEE.—

6               “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—In carrying out sub-  
7       section (b), the official designated under subsection  
8       (a) shall establish a committee to be known as the  
9       Coordinating Committee on Women’s Health (re-  
10       ferred to in this subsection as the ‘Coordinating  
11       Committee’).

12       “(2) COMPOSITION.—The Coordinating Com-  
13       mittee shall be composed of the official designated  
14       under subsection (a) and the directors of the centers  
15       and offices of the Agency.

16       “(3) CHAIRPERSON.—The official designated  
17       under subsection (a) shall serve as the Chairperson  
18       of the Coordinating Committee.

19       “(4) DUTIES.—With respect to research on  
20       women’s health, the Coordinating Committee shall  
21       assist the official designated under subsection (a)  
22       in—

23               “(A) identifying the need for such re-  
24       search, and making an estimate each fiscal year

1           of the funds needed to adequately support the  
2           research;

3           “(B) identifying needs regarding the co-  
4           ordination of research activities, including in-  
5           tramural and extramural multidisciplinary ac-  
6           tivities; and

7           “(C) making recommendations to the Di-  
8           rector of the Agency concerning findings made  
9           under subparagraphs (A) and (B).

10          “(d) REPORTS.—Not later than 1 year after the date  
11        of enactment of this section, and every second year there-  
12        after, the official designated under subsection (a) shall  
13        prepare and submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
14        gress a report describing the activities carried out under  
15        this section during the period for which the report is being  
16        prepared.

17          “(e) LIMITATION ON TERMINATION OF OFFICE.—  
18        Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Office es-  
19        tablished under this section may not be terminated, reor-  
20        ganized, or have any of its powers or duties transferred  
21        unless such termination, reorganization, or transfer is ap-  
22        proved by Congress through the adoption of a concurrent  
23        resolution of approval.”; and

24          (3) by adding at the end of section 938 (as re-  
25        designated by paragraph (1)) the following:

1       “(f) WOMEN’S HEALTH.—For the purpose of car-  
2 rying out section 937 regarding women’s health, there are  
3 authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be nec-  
4 essary for each of the fiscal years 2008 through 2012.”.

5 **SEC. 7. HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRA-**  
6 **TION OFFICE OF WOMEN’S HEALTH.**

7       Title VII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 901  
8 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

9 **“SEC. 713. OFFICE OF WOMEN’S HEALTH.**

10       “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall estab-  
11 lish within the Office of the Administrator of the Health  
12 Resources and Services Administration, an office to be  
13 known as the Office of Women’s Health. The Office shall  
14 be headed by a director who shall be appointed by the Ad-  
15 ministrator.

16       “(b) PURPOSE.—The Director of the Office shall—  
17           “(1) report to the Administrator on the current  
18           Administration level of activity regarding women’s  
19           health across, where appropriate, age, biological, and  
20           sociocultural contexts;

21           “(2) establish short-range and long-range goals  
22           and objectives within the Health Resources and  
23           Services Administration for women’s health and, as  
24           relevant and appropriate, coordinate with other ap-  
25           propriate offices on activities within the Administra-

1       tion that relate to health care provider training,  
2       health service delivery, research, and demonstration  
3       projects, for issues of particular concern to women;

4           “(3) identify projects in women’s health that  
5       should be conducted or supported by the bureaus of  
6       the Administration;

7           “(4) consult with health professionals, non-  
8       governmental organizations, consumer organizations,  
9       women’s health professionals, and other individuals  
10      and groups, as appropriate, on Administration policy  
11      with regard to women; and

12           “(5) serve as a member of the Department of  
13       Health and Human Services Coordinating Com-  
14       mittee on Women’s Health (established under sec-  
15       tion 229(b)(4) of the Public Health Service Act).

16       “(c) COORDINATING COMMITTEE.—

17           “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—In carrying out sub-  
18       section (b), the Director of the Office shall establish  
19       a committee to be known as the Coordinating Com-  
20       mittee on Women’s Health (referred to in this sub-  
21       section as the ‘Coordinating Committee’).

22           “(2) COMPOSITION.—The Coordinating Com-  
23       mittee shall be composed of the directors of the bu-  
24       reaus of the Administration.

1                 “(3) CHAIRPERSON.—The Director of the Of-  
2         fice shall serve as the Chairperson of the Coordin-  
3         ating Committee.

4                 “(4) DUTIES.—With respect to women’s health,  
5         the Coordinating Committee shall assist the Director  
6         of the Office in—

7                     “(A) identifying the need for programs and  
8         activities that focus on women’s health;

9                     “(B) identifying needs regarding the co-  
10         ordination of activities, including intramural  
11         and extramural multidisciplinary activities; and

12                     “(C) making recommendations to the Ad-  
13         ministrator concerning findings made under  
14         subparagraphs (A) and (B).

15                 “(d) REPORTS.—Not later than 1 year after the date  
16         of enactment of this section, and every second year there-  
17         after, the Director of the Office shall prepare and submit  
18         to the appropriate committees of Congress a report de-  
19         scribing the activities carried out under this section during  
20         the period for which the report is being prepared.

21                 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

22                     “(1) ADMINISTRATION.—The term ‘Administra-  
23         tion’ means the Health Resources and Services Ad-  
24         ministration.

1               “(2) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term ‘Administrator’ means the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration.

4               “(3) OFFICE.—The term ‘Office’ means the Office of Women’s Health established under this section in the Administration.

7               “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

11               “(g) LIMITATION ON TERMINATION OF OFFICE.— Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Office established under this section may not be terminated, reorganized, or have any of its powers or duties transferred unless such termination, reorganization, or transfer is approved by Congress through the adoption of a concurrent resolution of approval.”.

18 **SEC. 8. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF WOMEN’S HEALTH.**

20               Chapter IX of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 391 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

23 **“SEC. 910. OFFICE OF WOMEN’S HEALTH.**

24               “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within the Office of the Commissioner, an office to be known as

1 the Office of Women's Health (referred to in this section  
2 as the 'Office'). The Office shall be headed by a director  
3 who shall be appointed by the Commissioner of Food and  
4 Drugs.

5       “(b) PURPOSE.—The Director of the Office shall—

6           “(1) report to the Commissioner of Food and  
7           Drugs on current Food and Drug Administration  
8           (referred to in this section as the 'Administration')  
9           levels of activity regarding women's participation in  
10          clinical trials and the analysis of data by sex in the  
11          testing of drugs, medical devices, and biological  
12          products across, where appropriate, age, biological,  
13          and sociocultural contexts;

14           “(2) establish short-range and long-range goals  
15          and objectives within the Administration for issues  
16          of particular concern to women's health within the  
17          jurisdiction of the Administration, including, where  
18          relevant and appropriate, adequate inclusion of  
19          women and analysis of data by sex in Administration  
20          protocols and policies;

21           “(3) provide information to women and health  
22          care providers on those areas in which differences  
23          between men and women exist;

24           “(4) consult with pharmaceutical, biologics, and  
25          device manufacturers, health professionals with ex-

1       pertise in women's issues, consumer organizations,  
2       and women's health professionals on Administration  
3       policy with regard to women;

4               “(5) make annual estimates of funds needed to  
5       monitor clinical trials and analysis of data by sex in  
6       accordance with needs that are identified; and

7               “(6) serve as a member of the Department of  
8       Health and Human Services Coordinating Com-  
9       mittee on Women's Health (established under sec-  
10       tion 229(b)(4) of the Public Health Service Act).

11       “(c) COORDINATING COMMITTEE.—

12               “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—In carrying out sub-  
13       section (b), the Director of the Office shall establish  
14       a committee to be known as the Coordinating Com-  
15       mittee on Women's Health (referred to in this sub-  
16       section as the ‘Coordinating Committee’).

17               “(2) COMPOSITION.—The Coordinating Com-  
18       mittee shall be composed of the directors of the cen-  
19       ters of the Administration.

20               “(3) CHAIRPERSON.—The Director of the Of-  
21       fice shall serve as the Chairperson of the Coordin-  
22       ating Committee.

23               “(4) DUTIES.—With respect to women's health,  
24       the Coordinating Committee shall assist the Director  
25       of the Office in—

1                 “(A) identifying whether there is a need  
2                 for further studies and, if so, developing strate-  
3                 gies to foster such studies;

4                 “(B) identifying issues in specific areas of  
5                 women’s health that fall within the mission of  
6                 the Administration;

7                 “(C) identifying whether any need exists  
8                 for the coordination of Administration activi-  
9                 ties, including internal and external activities;

10                 “(D) maintaining the Administration’s  
11                 focus in areas of importance to women;

12                 “(E) supporting the development of meth-  
13                 odologies to determine how to obtain data spe-  
14                 cific to women (including data relating to the  
15                 age of women and the membership of women in  
16                 ethnic or racial groups); and

17                 “(F) supporting the development and ex-  
18                 pansion of clinical trials of treatments and  
19                 therapies for which obtaining such data has  
20                 been determined to be an appropriate function.

21                 “(d) REPORTS.—Not later than 1 year after the date  
22                 of enactment of this section, and every second year there-  
23                 after, the Director of the Office shall prepare and submit  
24                 to the appropriate committees of Congress a report de-

1 scribing the activities carried out under this section during  
2 the period for which the report is being prepared.

3       “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the  
4 purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized  
5 to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for  
6 each of the fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

7       “(f) LIMITATION ON TERMINATION OF OFFICE.—  
8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Office es-  
9 tablished under this section may not be terminated, reor-  
10 ganized, or have any of its powers or duties transferred  
11 unless such termination, reorganization, or transfer is ap-  
12 proved by Congress through the adoption of a concurrent  
13 resolution of approval.”.

14 **SEC. 9. NO NEW REGULATORY AUTHORITY.**

15       Nothing in this Act and the amendments made by  
16 this Act may be construed as establishing regulatory au-  
17 thority or modifying any existing regulatory authority.

18 **SEC. 10. LIMITATION ON TERMINATION.**

19       Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a Fed-  
20 eral office of women’s health (including the Office of Re-  
21 search on Women’s Health of the National Institutes of  
22 Health) or Federal appointive position with primary re-  
23 sponsibility over women’s health issues (including the As-  
24 sociate Administrator for Women’s Services under the  
25 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administra-

1 tion) that is in existence on the date of enactment of this  
2 Act shall not be terminated, reorganized, or have any of  
3 its powers or duties transferred unless such termination,  
4 reorganization, or transfer is approved by Congress  
5 through the adoption of a concurrent resolution of ap-  
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