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H. R. 4808

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human stem cell research, including human embryonic stem cell research, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 10, 2010

Ms. Degette (for herself, Mr. Castle, Mr. Langevin, Ms. Baldwin, Mrs. Capps, Mr. Carnahan, Mr. Dent, Mr. Gene Green of Texas, Mr. Kirk, and Mr. Perlmutter) 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 "Stem Cell Research
- 5 Advancement Act of 2009".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 The Congress finds as follows:

1	(1) On March 9, 2009, President Barack
2	Obama issued Executive Order 13505, entitled "Re-
3	moving Barriers to Responsible Scientific Research
4	Involving Human Stem Cells".
5	(2) On July 7, 2009, the National Institutes of
6	Health issued guidelines on human stem cell re-
7	search.
8	(3) The scientific field of stem cell research is
9	continually advancing.
10	SEC. 3. HUMAN STEM CELL RESEARCH.
11	Part H of title IV of the Public Health Service Act
12	(42 U.S.C. 289 et seq.) is amended by inserting after sec-
13	tion 498C the following:
14	"SEC. 498D. HUMAN STEM CELL RESEARCH.
15	"(a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other pro-
16	vision of law, the Secretary shall conduct and support re-
17	search that utilizes human stem cells, including human
18	embryonic stem cells.
19	"(b) Eligibility.—Human embryonic stem cells eli-
20	gible for use in research under subsection (a) shall include
21	stem cells that meet each of the following:
22	"(1) The stem cells were derived from human
23	embryos that have been donated from in vitro fer-

tilization clinics, were created for the purposes of re-

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1	productive treatment, and were in excess of the clin-
2	ical need of the individuals seeking such treatment.
3	"(2) It was determined through consultation
4	with the individuals seeking reproductive treatment
5	that the embryos to be donated would never be im-
6	planted in a woman and would otherwise be dis-
7	carded.
8	"(3) The individuals seeking reproductive treat-
9	ment donated the embryos with written informed
10	consent and without receiving any financial or other
11	inducements to make the donation.
12	"SEC. 498E. GUIDELINES.
13	"The Secretary, in consultation with the Director of
14	NIH, shall—
15	"(1) maintain guidelines applicable to the con-
16	duct or support of human stem cell research by the
17	Department of Health and Human Services;
18	"(2) review such guidelines not less than every
19	3 years; and
20	"(3) update such guidelines as scientifically
21	warranted.
22	"SEC. 498F. PROHIBITION AGAINST FUNDING FOR HUMAN
23	CLONING.
24	"(a) Prohibition.—The Secretary shall not use any
25	funds for the conduct or support of human cloning.

- 1 "(b) Guidelines.—The Secretary shall update the
- 2 guidelines maintained under section 498E for consistency
- 3 with subsection (a).
- 4 "(c) Definitions.—In this section, the term 'human
- 5 cloning' means the implantation of the product of trans-
- 6 ferring the nuclear material of a human somatic cell into
- 7 an egg cell from which the nuclear material has been re-
- 8 moved or rendered inert into a uterus or the functional
- 9 equivalent of a uterus.".
- 10 SEC. 4. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.
- 11 Section 403(a)(5) of the Public Health Service Act
- 12 (42 U.S.C. 283(a)(5)) is amended—
- 13 (1) by redesignating subparagraph (L) as (M);
- 14 and
- 15 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (K) the fol-
- lowing:
- 17 "(L) Human stem cells.".

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