

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6676

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for full repayment under National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program in case of a 5-year commitment, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2020

Mr. RUSH 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 “Creation of Opportuni-
5 ties for Medical Manpower in Underserved Neighborhoods
6 by Indemnifying Tuition and Incentivizing Exceptional
7 Service Act” or the “COMMUNITIES Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FULL REPAYMENT UNDER NATIONAL HEALTH**
2 **SERVICE CORPS LOAN REPAYMENT PRO-**
3 **GRAM IN CASE OF 5-YEAR COMMITMENT.**

4 Section 338(g)(2) of the Public Health Service Act
5 (42 U.S.C. 254l–1(g)(2)) is amended by adding at the end
6 the following:

7 “(C) FULL REPAYMENT IN CASE OF 5-
8 YEAR COMMITMENT.—In the case of an indi-
9 vidual who, pursuant to subsection
10 (f)(1)(B)(iv), agrees to serve for a period of ob-
11 ligated service equal to 5 years, the Secretary,
12 for each such year of obligated service, shall
13 pay (subject to the availability of appropria-
14 tions) on behalf of the individual the total
15 amount owed by such individual for loans de-
16 scribed in paragraph (1), divided by 5.”.

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