

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 786) recognizing the history of women's professional baseball in Indiana.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. KING. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 786) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of September 20, 2022, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### CONGRATULATING THE LOS ANGELES FOOTBALL CLUB FOR WINNING THE 2022 MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER CUP

Mr. KING. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 857, submitted earlier today.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 857) congratulating the Los Angeles Football Club for winning the 2022 Major League Soccer Cup.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. KING. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 857) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### EARLY HEARING DETECTION AND INTERVENTION ACT OF 2022

Mr. KING. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 442, S. 4052.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 4052) to reauthorize a program for early detection, diagnosis, and treatment regarding deaf and hard-of-hearing newborns, infants, and young children, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

*This Act may be cited as the "Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Act of 2022".*

#### SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF PROGRAM FOR EARLY DETECTION, DIAGNOSIS, AND TREATMENT REGARDING DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING NEWBORNS, INFANTS, AND YOUNG CHILDREN.

*Section 399M of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280g-1) is amended—*

*(1) in subsection (e), by inserting "(3)" before "The term "medical evaluation"; and*

*(2) in subsection (f)—*

*(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "\$17,818,000 for fiscal year 2018, \$18,173,800 for fiscal year 2019, \$18,628,145 for fiscal year 2020, \$19,056,592 for fiscal year 2021, and \$19,522,758 for fiscal year 2022" and inserting "\$17,818,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027"; and*

*(B) in paragraph (2), by striking "\$10,800,000 for fiscal year 2018, \$11,026,800 for fiscal year 2019, \$11,302,470 for fiscal year 2020, \$11,562,427 for fiscal year 2021, and \$11,851,488 for fiscal year 2022" and inserting "\$10,760,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027".*

#### SEC. 3. GAO STUDY ON STATE EARLY HEARING DETECTION AND INTERVENTION PROGRAMS.

*(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study reviewing State early hearing detection and intervention (in this section referred to as "EHDI") programs. Such study shall—*

*(1) analyze how information collected through such programs informs what is known about EHDI activities to ensure that newborns, infants, and young children have access to timely hearing screenings and early interventions, including information on any disparities in such access;*

*(2) analyze what is known about how parents use State EHDI websites to seek health and programmatic guidance related to their child's hearing loss diagnosis; and*

*(3) identify efforts and any promising practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Health Resources and Services Administration, the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, and State EHDI programs—*

*(A) to address disparities in outreach for, or access to, timely hearing screenings and early interventions; and*

*(B) to ensure that EHDI follow-up services are communicated and made available to medically underserved populations, including racial and ethnic minorities.*

*(b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall—*

*(1) complete the study under subsection (a) and submit a report on the results of the study to—*

*(A) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives; and*

*(B) the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate; and*

*(2) make such report publicly available.*

Mr. KING. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee-reported substitute amendment be considered and agreed to and that the bill, as amended, be considered read a third time.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee-reported amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading and was read the third time.

Mr. KING. I know of no further debate on the bill, as amended.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there further debate on the bill, as amended?

Hearing none, the bill having been read the third time, the question is, Shall the bill pass?

The bill (S. 4052), as amended, was passed.

Mr. KING. I ask that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### CARDIOVASCULAR ADVANCES IN RESEARCH AND OPPORTUNITIES LEGACY ACT

Mr. KING. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 443, H.R. 1193.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1193) to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to direct the Director of the National Institutes of Health, in consultation with the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, to establish a program under which the Director of the National Institutes of Health shall support or conduct research on valvular heart disease, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

*This Act may be cited as the "Cardiovascular Advances in Research and Opportunities Legacy Act".*

#### SEC. 2. HHS VALVULAR HEART DISEASE ACTIVITIES.

*(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this section as the "Secretary") shall, as appropriate, continue activities related to research, education, and awareness of valvular heart diseases.*

*(b) NIH RESEARCH RELATED TO VALVULAR HEART DISEASES.—*

*(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the National Institutes of Health, in consultation with the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, may support or conduct research regarding valvular heart diseases.*

*(2) SUPPORT FURTHER RESEARCH.—In order to improve information on, and understanding of, causation and risk factors for valvular heart diseases, research conducted or supported under this subsection for such diseases may include the following:*

*(A) Use of advanced technological imaging and other relevant methods to generate data related to valvular heart diseases.*

*(B) Assessing potential risk factors for sudden cardiac arrest or sudden cardiac death from valvular heart diseases.*

*(C) Other activities, as appropriate, in order to improve the availability of information on, and advance research related to, valvular heart diseases.*

(3) **MITRAL VALVE PROLAPSE WORKSHOP.**—Not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute shall, as appropriate, convene a workshop composed of subject matter experts and stakeholders to identify research needs and opportunities to develop recommendations for the identification and treatment of individuals with mitral valve prolapse, including such individuals who may be at risk for sudden cardiac arrest or sudden cardiac death.

(c) **PREVENTION ACTIVITIES TO IMPROVE AWARENESS OF SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH AS A RESULT OF VALVULAR HEART DISEASES.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary may carry out activities to increase education and awareness of valvular heart diseases in order to reduce the incidence of sudden cardiac death caused by such diseases. The Secretary may—

(A) award grants or contracts to public or nonprofit private entities to carry out activities under this subsection; and

(B) may directly, or through grants or contracts, provide technical assistance with respect to such activities.

(2) **CERTAIN ACTIVITIES.**—Upon availability of applicable data, projects carried out under paragraph (1) may include—

(A) continuing activities at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention related to valvular heart diseases;

(B) improving the awareness of the public concerning any risk factors for, the symptoms of, and the public health impact of, valvular heart diseases; and

(C) improving the availability of public health data and information, as appropriate, regarding cardiac arrests related to valvular heart diseases.

(3) **GRANT PRIORITIZATION.**—The Secretary may, in awarding grants or entering into contracts pursuant to paragraph (1), give priority to entities seeking to carry out projects for populations most impacted by valvular heart diseases.

(4) **COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES.**—The Secretary shall, as appropriate, ensure that activities under this section are coordinated with other agencies and offices of the Department of Health and Human Services that carry out activities regarding valvular heart diseases.

(5) **BEST PRACTICES.**—The Secretary shall, as applicable and appropriate, identify and disseminate best practices for relevant health care providers related to valvular heart diseases.

(d) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—For purposes of carrying out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.

Mr. KING. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee-reported substitute amendment be withdrawn; that the McConnell substitute amendment at the desk be agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be considered read a third time and passed; and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee-reported amendment in the nature of a substitute was withdrawn.

The amendment (No. 6504) in the nature of a substitute was agreed to, as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “Cardiovascular Advances in Research and Opportunities Legacy Act”.

**SEC. 2. HHS VALVULAR HEART DISEASE ACTIVITIES.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”) shall, as appropriate, continue activities related to research, education, and awareness of valvular heart diseases.

(b) **NIH RESEARCH RELATED TO VALVULAR HEART DISEASES.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Director of the National Institutes of Health, in consultation with the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, may support or conduct research regarding valvular heart diseases.

(2) **SUPPORT FURTHER RESEARCH.**—In order to improve information on, and understanding of, causation and risk factors for valvular heart diseases, research conducted or supported under this subsection for such diseases may include the following:

(A) Use of advanced technological imaging and other relevant methods to generate data related to valvular heart diseases.

(B) Assessing potential risk factors for sudden cardiac arrest or sudden cardiac death from valvular heart diseases.

(C) Other activities, as appropriate, in order to improve the availability of information on, and advance research related to, valvular heart diseases.

(3) **MITRAL VALVE PROLAPSE WORKSHOP.**—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute shall, as appropriate, convene a workshop composed of subject matter experts and stakeholders to identify research needs and opportunities to develop recommendations for the identification and treatment of individuals with mitral valve prolapse, including such individuals who may be at risk for sudden cardiac arrest or sudden cardiac death.

(c) **PREVENTION ACTIVITIES TO IMPROVE AWARENESS OF SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH AS A RESULT OF VALVULAR HEART DISEASES.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary may carry out activities to increase education and awareness of valvular heart diseases in order to reduce the incidence of sudden cardiac death caused by such diseases. The Secretary may—

(A) award grants or contracts to public or nonprofit private entities to carry out activities under this subsection; and

(B) directly, or through grants or contracts, provide technical assistance with respect to such activities.

(2) **CERTAIN ACTIVITIES.**—Upon availability of applicable data, projects carried out under paragraph (1) may include—

(A) continuing activities at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention related to valvular heart diseases;

(B) improving the awareness of the public concerning any risk factors for, the symptoms of, and the public health impact of, valvular heart diseases; and

(C) enhancing public health data collection and improving the quality of such data, as appropriate, regarding cardiac arrests, including cardiac arrests that occur outside of the hospital.

(3) **GRANT PRIORITIZATION.**—The Secretary may, in awarding grants or entering into contracts pursuant to paragraph (1), give priority to entities seeking to carry out projects for populations most impacted by valvular heart diseases.

(4) **COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES.**—The Secretary shall, as appropriate, ensure that activities under this section are coordinated with other agencies and offices of the Department of Health and Human Services that carry out activities regarding valvular heart diseases.

(5) **BEST PRACTICES.**—The Secretary shall, as applicable and appropriate, identify and disseminate best practices for relevant health care providers related to valvular heart diseases.

(d) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—For purposes of carrying out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated \$28,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.

The amendment was ordered to be engrossed and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill was read the third time.

The bill (H.R. 1193), as amended, was passed.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022

Mr. KING. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 3 p.m., Monday, December 5, and that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; that upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the Behm nomination; further, that if any nominations are confirmed during Monday’s session, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate’s action.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022, AT 3 P.M.

Mr. KING. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:11 p.m., adjourned until Monday, December 5, 2022, at 3 p.m.