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115TH CONGRESS  
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**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to extend and expand the program for payments to teaching health centers with GME programs, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. DENHAM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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. EXTENSION AND EXPANSION OF PROGRAM FOR**  
4 **PAYMENTS TO TEACHING HEALTH CENTERS**  
5 **WITH GME PROGRAMS.**

6 Section 340H of the Public Health Service Act (42  
7 U.S.C. 250h) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (g)—

2 (A) by inserting “(other than subsection  
3 (k))” after “section”;

4 (B) by striking “2015 and” and inserting  
5 “2015,”; and

6 (C) by adding “\$142,000,000 for fiscal  
7 year 2018, \$147,000,000 for fiscal year 2019,  
8 and \$151,000,000 for fiscal year 2020” before  
9 the period at the end; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
11 section:

12 “(k) EXPANSION.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In applying this section—

14 “(A) for each of fiscal years 2018 and  
15 2019, the Secretary shall make payments under  
16 this section (and, subject to the succeeding  
17 paragraphs, in accordance with the preceding  
18 provisions of this section) to a number of quali-  
19 fied teaching health centers that is ten greater  
20 than the number of such centers to which the  
21 Secretary made such payments in the preceding  
22 fiscal year; and

23 “(B) for fiscal year 2020, the Secretary  
24 shall make payments under this section (and,  
25 subject to the succeeding paragraphs, in accord-

1           ance with the preceding provisions of this sec-  
2           tion) to a number of qualified teaching health  
3           centers that is equal to the number of such cen-  
4           ters to which the Secretary made such pay-  
5           ments in fiscal year 2019.

6           “(2) PER-CENTER CAP OF SIX FTES FOR EX-  
7           PANSION CENTERS.—In applying this section with  
8           respect to a qualified teaching health center that re-  
9           ceives payment under this section only due to the  
10          application of this subsection (hereinafter referred to  
11          as an ‘expansion center’), the Secretary shall limit  
12          the funding of full-time equivalent residents at such  
13          expansion center in order to ensure the direct and  
14          indirect payments for such center, as determined  
15          under this section, do not exceed the amount of pay-  
16          ments that would be determined under this section  
17          for six full-time equivalent residents at such expan-  
18          sion center.

19          “(3) PRIORITY TO HIGH-MEDICAID COUN-  
20          TIES.—In selecting qualified teaching health centers  
21          to be expansion centers for purposes of this sub-  
22          section, the Secretary shall give preference to cen-  
23          ters that are located in counties in which greater  
24          than 35 percent of the population is enrolled in the

1 Medicaid program under title XIX of the Social Se-  
2 curity Act.

3 “(4) APPROPRIATIONS.—To carry out this sub-  
4 section, there are appropriated such sums as may be  
5 necessary, not to exceed \$10,000,000 for fiscal year  
6 2018, and \$19,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019  
7 and 2020.”.