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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require reports and evaluations for oral health training programs.

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To improve access to and the quality of primary health care, expand the health workforce, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENTS intended to be proposed by _____

Viz:

1 On page 51, line 2, strike "Subsection (f)" and insert
2 "(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Subsection
3 (f)".

4 On page 51, between lines 14 and 15, insert the fol-
5 lowing:

6 (b) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—Section 748 of the
7 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 293k-2) is amended
8 by adding at the end the following:

9 "(h) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—

10 "(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—An eligible entity
11 awarded a grant or contract under this section shall

1 submit interim reports to the Secretary on the ac-
2 tivities carried out through a project supported by
3 the grant or contract and a final report on such ac-
4 tivities upon the conclusion of the participation of
5 the entity in the project. Such reports shall include
6 assessments of the effectiveness of such activities
7 with respect to increasing access to dental services
8 in designated dental health professional shortage
9 areas (as defined in section 340F).

10 “(2) EVALUATION.—The Secretary shall, by
11 grant, contract, or interagency agreement, evaluate
12 on an interim basis the grants or contracts awarded
13 under this section. Such evaluation shall include
14 identification of successful activities—

15 “(A) for creating opportunities for devel-
16 oping and sustaining a State oral health work-
17 force that meets high standards for education,
18 training, certification, and professional develop-
19 ment; and

20 “(B) for increasing access to dental serv-
21 ices in designated dental health professional
22 shortage areas (as so defined).

23 “(3) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than Octo-
24 ber 1 of each of fiscal years 2025 through 2027, the
25 Secretary shall submit, to the Committee on Health,

1 Education, Labor, and Pensions and the Committee
2 on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee
3 on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on
4 Appropriations of the House of Representatives—

5 “(A) a report including a description of
6 any use of funds provided pursuant to the au-
7 thorization of appropriations under subsection
8 (f); and

9 “(B) a report based on the evaluation con-
10 ducted under paragraph (2).”