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AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To impose reporting requirements relating to grants to expand the number of students enrolled in registered nursing programs at the associate degree level.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—118th Cong., 1st Sess.**

**S. 2840**

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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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. CASSIDY

Viz:

- 1 On page 35, strike lines 14 through 23 and insert
- 2 the following:
- 3 “(6) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—
- 4 “(A) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—A recipient of
- 5 a grant under this subsection shall submit in-
- 6 terim reports to the Secretary on the activities
- 7 carried out through a project supported by the
- 8 grant and a final report on such activities upon
- 9 the conclusion of the participation of the entity
- 10 in the project. Such reports shall include assess-
- 11 ments of the effectiveness of such activities with

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1           respect to improving the outcome of expanding  
2           the number of students enrolled in registered  
3           nursing programs at the associate degree level  
4           in the areas in which the grant is provided.

5           “(B) EVALUATION.—The Secretary shall,  
6           by grant, contract, or interagency agreement,  
7           evaluate on an interim basis the grants awarded  
8           under this subsection. Such evaluation shall in-  
9           clude identification of successful activities for  
10          creating opportunities for developing and sus-  
11          taining growth in the number of students en-  
12          rolled in registered nursing programs at the as-  
13          sociate degree level, that meet high standards  
14          for education, training, certification, and pro-  
15          fessional development, and that are responsive  
16          to the nursing workforce shortage.

17          “(C) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than  
18          October 1 of each of fiscal years 2025 through  
19          2027, the Secretary shall submit to the Com-  
20          mittee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-  
21          sions and the Committee on Appropriations of  
22          the Senate and the Committee on Energy and  
23          Commerce and the Committee on Appropria-  
24          tions of the House of Representatives—

1                   “(i) a report including a description of  
2                   any use of funds provided pursuant to the  
3                   authorization of appropriations under  
4                   paragraph (5)(C); and

5                   “(ii) a report based on the evaluation  
6                   conducted under subparagraph (B).”.