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H. R. 426

To amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a program to educate the public on prostate cancer.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. Vucanovich 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 "Prostate Cancer Public
- 5 Awareness Act of 1991".
- 6 SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC EDU-
- 7 CATION ON PROSTATE CANCER.
- 8 Section 413(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42
- 9 U.S.C. 285a-2(a)) is amended by adding at the end the
- 10 following new paragraph:

- "(3) In providing public and patient information and education programs under paragraph (2)(A), the Director of the Institute shall carry out such a program on prostate
- 4 cancer, and through the program shall conduct or support
- 5 activities—

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- 6 "(A) to educate men who are 40 years of age 7 or older on the need for periodically undergoing 8 physical examinations for such cancer, including 9 education on the frequency and type of such exami-10 nations that are appropriate for various age groups 11 of such men; and
 - "(B) in the case of such men who are at particular risk of the cancer, to educate the men on the availability and appropriateness of procedures for detecting the cancer in the earlier stages of the cancer, including the procedure known as prostate ultrasound."

18 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 19 The amendment made by section 2 shall take effect
- 20 October 1, 1993, or upon the date of the enactment of
- 21 this Act, whichever occurs later.