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H. R. 953

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for programs regarding ovarian cancer.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. MINK of Hawaii (for herself, Mr. ACKERMAN, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. EVANS, Mr. FROST, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MASCARA, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mrs. MORELLA, Ms. SANCHEZ, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and Ms. WOOLSEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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 “Ovarian Cancer
5 Research and Information Amendments of 1997”.

6 **SEC. 2. FUNDING FOR RESEARCH ON OVARIAN CANCER.**

7 Section 417B(b)(2) of the Public Health Service Act
8 is amended—

1 (1) by striking “CANCERS.—For the purpose
2 of” and all that follows through “417,” and insert-
3 ing the following: “CANCERS.—

4 “(A) For the purpose of carrying out sec-
5 tion 417(d),”; and

6 (2) by adding at the end the following subpara-
7 graph:

8 “(B)(i) For the purpose of carrying out re-
9 search under section 417(d) on ovarian cancer,
10 there are authorized to be appropriated
11 \$90,000,000 for fiscal year 1998, and such
12 sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal
13 years 1999 and 2000. With respect to such pur-
14 pose, such authorizations of appropriations are
15 in addition to the authorizations of appropria-
16 tions established in subparagraph (A) and in
17 subsection (a).

18 “(ii) Of the amounts appropriated under
19 clause (i) for a fiscal year, the Director of the
20 Institute shall reserve 50 percent for research
21 described in such clause that does not involve
22 treatment or clinical trials, and 50 percent for
23 research described in such clause that does in-
24 volve treatment and clinical trials.

1 “(iii) In expending the amounts reserved
2 under clause (ii) for a fiscal year, the Director
3 of the Institute shall ensure that 1 or more pro-
4 grams of research on ovarian cancer are carried
5 out under the programs designated by the Di-
6 rector as the Specialized Programs of Research
7 Excellence.”.

8 **SEC. 3. PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION ON OVAR-**
9 **IAN CANCER.**

10 Section 417(d)(4) of the Public Health Service Act
11 is amended by striking “section 413; and” and inserting
12 the following: “section 413, which programs shall include
13 programs on ovarian cancer that (subject to changes in
14 the applicable facts) provide information and education re-
15 garding—

16 “(A) screening procedures for such cancer,
17 including the fact that there is not a procedure
18 that reliably provides for the early detection of
19 such cancer;

20 “(B) the fact that there may be a genetic
21 basis to such cancer;

22 “(C) factors indicating a substantial risk
23 of such cancer; and

1 “(D) the various treatments for such can-
2 cer and the extent to which the treatments are
3 effective; and”.

4 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

5 This Act takes effect October 1, 1997, or upon the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, whichever occurs later.

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