

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To amend the Public Health Service Act to include certain children's psychiatric hospitals under the program of payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 21, 2009

Mr. KENNEDY 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 "Children's Hospitals
5 Education Equity Act".

1 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF CERTAIN CHILDREN'S PSYCHIATRIC**
2 **HOSPITALS UNDER THE PROGRAM OF PAY-**
3 **MENTS TO CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS THAT OP-**
4 **ERATE GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION**
5 **PROGRAMS.**

6 Section 340E(g)(2) of the Public Health Service Act
7 (42 U.S.C. 256e(g)) is amended—

8 (1) by striking “means a” and inserting
9 “means—

10 “(A) a”;

11 (2) by striking the period and inserting “; or”;

12 and

13 (3) by adding at the end the following:

14 “(B) a freestanding psychiatric hospital
15 with 90 percent or more inpatients under the
16 age of 18, that has its own Medicare provider
17 number as of December 6, 1999, and that has
18 an accredited residency program.”.

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