

Union Calendar No. 374

111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 2999

[Report No. 111-634]

To amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance and increase the number of veterinarians trained in veterinary public health.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 23, 2009

Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. SCHRADER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

SEPTEMBER 28, 2010

Additional sponsors: Ms. GIFFORDS, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mr. SESTAK, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. BARROW, Mr. FARR, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mr. WELCH, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN, Ms. MARKEY of Colorado, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. PUTNAM, Mr. BOREN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. MARKEY of Massachusetts, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN

SEPTEMBER 28, 2010

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 23, 2009]

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 “Veterinary Public*
 5 *Health Amendments Act of 2010”.*

6 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH IN**
 7 **CERTAIN PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE PRO-**
 8 **VISIONS.**

9 *(a) PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE GRANTS.—Sub-*
 10 *sections (b)(1)(A) and (d)(6) of section 765 of the Public*
 11 *Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 295) are amended by insert-*
 12 *ing “veterinary public health,” after “preventive medicine,”*
 13 *each place it appears.*

14 *(b) PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE LOAN REPAYMENT*
 15 *PROGRAM.—*

16 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraphs (A) and (B)*
 17 *of section 776(b)(1) of the Public Health Service Act*
 18 *(42 U.S.C. 295f-1(b)(1)) are amended by striking*
 19 *“public health or health professions degree or certifi-*
 20 *cate” each place it appears and inserting “public*
 21 *health (including veterinary public health) or health*
 22 *professions degree or certificate”.*

23 *(2) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Subparagraph*
 24 *(A) of section 776(b)(1) of the Public Health Service*

1 *Act (42 U.S.C. 295f-1(b)(1)) is amended by adding*
2 *“or” at the end.*

3 (c) *DEFINITION.—Section 799B of the Public Health*
4 *Service Act (42 U.S.C. 295p) is amended by adding at the*
5 *end the following:*

6 “(27) *VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH.—The term*
7 *‘veterinary public health’ includes veterinarians en-*
8 *gaged in one or more of the following areas to the ex-*
9 *tent such areas have an impact on human health: bio-*
10 *defense and emergency preparedness, emerging and*
11 *reemerging infectious diseases, environmental health,*
12 *ecosystem health, pre- and post-harvest food protec-*
13 *tion, regulatory medicine, diagnostic laboratory medi-*
14 *cine, veterinary pathology, biomedical research, the*
15 *practice of food animal medicine in rural areas, and*
16 *government practice.”.*

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