

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 3115

To amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to a national pediatric research network.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 29, 2016

Mr. WICKER (for himself and Mr. BROWN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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 “Pediatric Research Im-
5 provement Act of 2016”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL PEDIATRIC RESEARCH NETWORK.**

7 Section 409D(d) of the Public Health Service Act (42
8 U.S.C. 284h(d)) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1)—

1 (A) by striking “in consultation with the
 2 Director of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Na-
 3 tional Institute of Child Health and Human
 4 Development and in collaboration with other
 5 appropriate national research institutes and na-
 6 tional centers that carry out activities involving
 7 pediatric research” and inserting “in collabora-
 8 tion with the national research institutes and
 9 national centers that carry out activities involv-
 10 ing pediatric research”;

11 (B) by striking subparagraph (B);

12 (C) by striking “may be comprised of, as
 13 appropriate” and all that follows through “the
 14 pediatric research consortia” and inserting
 15 “may be comprised of, as appropriate, the pedi-
 16 atric research consortia”; and

17 (D) by striking “; or” at the end and in-
 18 serting a period; and

19 (2) in paragraph (1), paragraph (2)(A), the
 20 first sentence of paragraph (2)(E), and paragraph
 21 (4), by striking “may” each place it appears and in-
 22 serting “shall”.

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