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# S. 1905

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 2, 2017

Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. BLUNT) introduced the following bill;  
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## 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 “Excellence in Mental  
5 Health and Addiction Treatment Expansion Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES DEM-**  
7 **ONSTRATION PROGRAM.**

8 Section 223(d) of the Protecting Access to Medicare  
9 Act of 2014 (42 U.S.C. 1396a note) is amended—

10 (1) in paragraph (3)—

1 (A) by striking “Not more than” and in-  
2 serting “Subject to paragraph (8), not more  
3 than”; and

4 (B) by striking “2-year” and inserting “3-  
5 year”; and

6 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
7 paragraph:

8 “(8) ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS.—In addition to  
9 the 8 States selected under paragraph (1), the Sec-  
10 retary shall select 11 States (which shall not include  
11 any States selected under paragraph (1)) to partici-  
12 pate in 2-year demonstration programs that meet  
13 the requirements of this subsection and represent a  
14 diverse selection of geographic areas, including rural  
15 and underserved areas.”.

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