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S. 2137

To amend the Rural Development Act of 1972 to improve access to grants for evidence-based substance use disorder treatment services in rural areas, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 16, 2017

Mr. DONNELLY (for himself and Mr. HOEVEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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. RURAL HEALTH AND SAFETY EDUCATION PRO-**
4 **GRAMS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 502(i) of the Rural Devel-
6 opment Act of 1972 (7 U.S.C. 2662(i)) is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating paragraph (5) as para-
8 graph (6); and

1 (2) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(5) SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER EDUCATION
4 AND PREVENTION.—In making grants under this
5 subsection, the Secretary shall give priority to an ap-
6 plicant that will use the grant for substance use dis-
7 order education, prevention, or treatment.”.

8 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Title V of the Rural
9 Development Act of 1972 (7 U.S.C. 2661 et seq.) (as
10 amended by subsection (a)) is amended—

11 (1) in section 502, in the matter preceding sub-
12 section (a), by inserting “(referred to in this title as
13 the ‘Secretary’)” after “Agriculture”; and

14 (2) by striking “Secretary of Agriculture” each
15 place it appears (other than in section 502 in the
16 matter preceding subsection (a)) and inserting “Sec-
17 retary”.

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