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# H. R. 8723

To condition receipt of State funding from the Bureau of Health Workforce on adoption by the State of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 30, 2020

Mr. YOHO (for himself, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. TIFFANY, and Mr. HAGEDORN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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. CONDITIONING RECEIPT OF STATE FUNDING**  
4 **FROM THE BUREAU OF HEALTH WORKFORCE**  
5 **ON ADOPTION BY THE STATE OF THE INTER-**  
6 **STATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT.**

7 In the case of a State that has not, by the date that  
8 is 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act,

1 joined, through enactment of a State law, the Interstate  
2 Medical Licensure Compact facilitating physician inter-  
3 state licensure, as of the day after such 3-year period, the  
4 State shall not be eligible for any funds or assistance ad-  
5 ministered by the Bureau of Health Workforce of the  
6 Health Resources and Services Administration of the De-  
7 partment of Health and Human Services. In the case of  
8 a State that becomes ineligible for such funds or assist-  
9 ance pursuant to the previous sentence, if such State after  
10 such 3-year date joins, through enactment of a State law,  
11 the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, the Secretary  
12 of Health and Human Services may determine such State  
13 is no longer ineligible for such funds or assistance pursu-  
14 ant to the previous sentence.

15 **SEC. 2. CONDITIONING CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL LICENS-**  
16 **ING BOARD GRANTS ON PROVISION OF SPE-**  
17 **CIALTY PHYSICIAN PUBLIC AWARENESS CAM-**  
18 **PAIGN ON TELEMEDICINE.**

19 Section 330L of the Public Health Service Act (42  
20 U.S.C. 254c-18) is amended—

21 (1) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-  
22 section (c);

23 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-  
24 lowing new subsection:

1       “(c) PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.—A grant may  
2 not be made under subsection (a) to a professional licens-  
3 ing board that participates in the licensure of physicians  
4 unless the professional licensure board provides for a pub-  
5 lic awareness campaign to encourage specialty physicians  
6 to practice telemedicine.”; and

7           (3) in subsection (c), as redesignated by para-  
8 graph (1), by striking “fiscal years 2002 through  
9 2006” and inserting “fiscal years 2021 through  
10 2025”.

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