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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 2021

Mr. Ruiz introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa- 
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Improving Access to Indian Health Services Act”. 
SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF FULL FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PERCENTAGE TO INDIAN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

Section 1905 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by amending paragraph (9) to read as follows:

“(9) clinic services furnished by or under the direction of a physician, without regard to whether the clinic itself is administered by a physician, including—

“(A) such services furnished outside the clinic by clinic personnel to an eligible individual who does not reside in a permanent dwelling or does not have a fixed home or mailing address; and

“(B) such services furnished outside the clinic by any Indian Health Service facility, a health program or facility operated by a tribe or tribal organization under the Indian Self-Determination Act (Public Law 93–638), or an urban Indian organization receiving funds under title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act;”; and

(2) in subsection (b), by inserting after “Papa Ola Lokahi under section 8 of such Act” the fol-
lowing: “; the Federal medical assistance percentage
shall also be 100 per centum with respect to
amounts expended as medical assistance for services
which are received by an Indian Health Service facil-
ity, a health program or facility operated by a tribe
or tribal organization under the Indian Self-Deter-
mination Act (Public Law 93–638), or an urban In-
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