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To amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the pediatric mental health care access grant program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. SCHRIER (for herself and Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Supporting Children’s
5 Mental Health Care Access Act of 2022”.

6 **SEC. 2. PEDIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH CARE ACCESS**
7 **GRANTS.**

8 Section 330M of the Public Health Service Act (42
9 U.S.C. 254e–19) is amended—

1 (1) in the section enumerator, by striking
2 “**330M**” and inserting “**330M.**”;

3 (2) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) by striking “Indian tribes and tribal
5 organizations” and inserting “Indian Tribes
6 and Tribal organizations”; and

7 (B) by inserting “or, in the case of a State
8 that does not submit an application, a nonprofit
9 entity that has the support of the State” after
10 “450b))”;

11 (3) in subsection (b)—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)—

13 (i) in subparagraph (G), by inserting
14 “developmental-behavioral pediatricians,”
15 after “adolescent psychiatrists,”;

16 (ii) in subparagraph (H), by striking
17 “; and” at the end and inserting a semi-
18 colon;

19 (iii) by redesignating subparagraph
20 (I) as subparagraph (J); and

21 (iv) by inserting after subparagraph
22 (H) the following:

23 “(I) maintain an up-to-date list of commu-
24 nity-based supports for children with mental
25 health problems; and”;

1 (B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
2 paragraph (3);

3 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
4 following:

5 “(2) SUPPORT TO SCHOOLS AND EMERGENCY
6 DEPARTMENTS.—In addition to the required activi-
7 ties specified in paragraph (1), a statewide or re-
8 gional network of pediatric mental health teams re-
9 ferred to in subsection (a), with respect to which a
10 grant under such subsection may be used, may pro-
11 vide support to schools and emergency depart-
12 ments.”; and

13 (D) in paragraph (3), as redesignated by
14 subparagraph (B), by inserting “Such a team
15 may include a developmental-behavioral pedia-
16 trician.” after “mental health counselor.”;

17 (4) in subsections (c), (d), and (f), by striking
18 “Indian tribe, or tribal organization” each place it
19 appears and inserting “Indian Tribe, Tribal organi-
20 zation, or nonprofit entity”; and

21 (5) by striking subsection (g) and inserting the
22 following:

23 “(g) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary shall
24 award grants or contracts to one or more eligible entities
25 (as defined by the Secretary) for the purposes of providing

1 technical assistance and evaluation support to grantees
2 under subsection (a).

3 “(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To
4 carry out this section, there are authorized to be appro-
5 priated—

6 “(1) \$14,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023
7 through 2025; and

8 “(2) \$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026
9 through 2027.”.

10 **SEC. 3. INFANT AND EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTAL HEALTH**
11 **PROMOTION, INTERVENTION, AND TREAT-**
12 **MENT.**

13 Section 399Z–2(f) of the Public Health Service Act
14 (42 U.S.C. 280h–6(f)) is amended by striking
15 “\$20,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2018 through
16 2022” and inserting “\$50,000,000 for the period of fiscal
17 years 2023 through 2027”.

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