

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 266

To reauthorize the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act,
and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 28, 2025

Mr. KAINE (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. REED, Mr. MARSHALL, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mrs. CAPITO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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Protection Act, and for other purposes.

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 “Dr. Lorna Breen
5 Health Care Provider Protection Reauthorization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EDUCATION AND AWARENESS INITIATIVE ENCOUR-**
 2 **AGING USE OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUB-**
 3 **STANCE USE DISORDER SERVICES BY**
 4 **HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS.**

5 Section 3 of the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Pro-
 6 vider Protection Act (Public Law 117–105) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (b), by inserting “and annu-
 8 ally thereafter,” after “of this Act,”; and

9 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “2022 through
 10 2024” and inserting “2025 through 2029”.

11 **SEC. 3. PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE MENTAL HEALTH AMONG**
 12 **THE HEALTH PROFESSIONAL WORKFORCE.**

13 The second section 764 of the Public Health Service
 14 Act (42 U.S.C. 294t), as added by section 4 of the Dr.
 15 Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act (Public
 16 Law 117–105), is amended—

17 (1) by redesignating such section 764 as section
 18 764A;

19 (2) in subsection (a)(3)—

20 (A) by striking “to eligible entities in” and
 21 inserting “to eligible entities that—

22 “(A) are in”;

23 (B) by striking the period and inserting “;
 24 or”;

25 (C) by adding at the end the following:

- 1 “(B) have a focus on the reduction of ad-
2 ministrative burden on health care workers.”;
3 (3) in subsection (c), by inserting “not less
4 than” after “period of”; and
5 (4) in subsection (f), by striking “2022 through
6 2024” and inserting “2025 through 2029”.

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