

103^D CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1773

To reauthorize the rural health care transition grant program established under the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to give preference in making grants under such program to hospitals that establish consortia with other providers in the communities in which the hospitals are located, and to revise the frequency of the Secretary's reports on the program to Congress.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 21, 1993

Mr. EMERSON (for himself, Mr. GUNDERSON, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. STENHOLM, Mr. LANCASTER, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SLATTERY, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. KYL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REVISIONS TO RURAL HEALTH CARE TRANSI-**
2 **TION GRANT PROGRAM.**

3 (a) REAUTHORIZATION THROUGH FISCAL YEAR
4 1997.—Section 4005(e)(9) of the Omnibus Budget Rec-
5 onciliation Act of 1987 is amended—

6 (1) by striking “1989 and” and inserting
7 “1989,”; and

8 (2) by striking “1992” and inserting “1992
9 and \$30,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1993
10 through 1997”.

11 (b) PREFERENCE IN AWARDING GRANTS FOR HOS-
12 PITALS ESTABLISHING CONSORTIA OF COMMUNITY PRO-
13 VIDERS.—Section 4005(e)(5) of such Act is amended in
14 the matter preceding subparagraph (A) by inserting after
15 “the Administrator” the following: “shall give preference
16 to a hospital whose proposed project is to establish a con-
17 sortium with other providers of health care services in the
18 community in which the hospital is located to integrate
19 the delivery of such services to individuals in the commu-
20 nity, and”.

21 (c) REVISION OF FREQUENCY OF SECRETARY’S RE-
22 PORTS TO CONGRESS.—Section 4005(e)(8)(B) of such Act
23 is amended by striking “6 months” and inserting “12
24 months”.

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