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AN ACT

To amend title 5, United States Code, to extend the Federal Physicians Comparability Allowance Act of 1978, and for other purposes.

1 **SECTION 1. EXTENSIONS.**

2 (a) EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY.—

3 (1) AMENDMENT TO TITLE 5, UNITED STATES
4 CODE.—The second sentence of section 5948(d) of
5 title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as
6 follows: “No agreement shall be entered into under
7 this section later than September 30, 1997, nor shall
8 any agreement cover a period of service extending
9 beyond September 30, 1999.”.

1 (2) EXTENSION OF REPEALER.—Section 3 of
2 the Federal Physicians Comparability Allowance Act
3 of 1978 (5 U.S.C. 5948 note) is amended by strik-
4 ing “September 30, 1995” and inserting “September
5 30, 1999”.

6 (3) ADVANCE APPROPRIATIONS REQUIRED.—
7 Any service agreement entered into on or after the
8 date of the enactment of this Act pursuant to sec-
9 tion 5948 of title 5, United States Code, as amended
10 by paragraph (1), shall be effective only to such ex-
11 tent or in such amounts as are provided in advance
12 in appropriation Acts.

13 (4) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The amend-
14 ments made by this subsection shall not be con-
15 strued to authorize additional or supplemental ap-
16 propriations for the fiscal year ending September 30,
17 1993.

18 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—

19 (1) AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC LAW 100–140.—Ef-
20 fective as of October 27, 1987, section 1 of Public
21 Law 100–140 (101 Stat. 830) is amended by adding
22 at the end the following:

23 “(c) EXTENSION OF REPEALER.—Section 3 of the
24 Federal Physicians Comparability Allowance Act of 1978

1 (5 U.S.C. 5948 note) is amended by striking ‘September
2 30, 1989’ and inserting ‘September 30, 1992’.’’.

3 (2) AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC LAW 101–420.—Ef-
4 fective as of October 13, 1990, Public Law 101–420
5 (104 Stat. 908) is amended—

6 (A) by inserting “(a)” after “That”; and

7 (B) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(b) Section 3 of the Federal Physicians Comparabil-
9 ity Allowance Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. 5948 note) is amend-
10 ed by striking ‘September 30, 1992’ and inserting ‘Sep-
11 tember 30, 1995’.’’.

12 (c) ORDER OF AMENDMENTS.—For purposes of ap-
13 plying the amendments made by this section—

14 (1) the provisions of subsection (b)(1) shall be
15 treated as having been enacted immediately before
16 the provisions of subsection (b)(2); and

17 (2) the provisions of subsection (b)(2) shall be
18 treated as having been enacted immediately before
19 the provisions of subsection (a).

20 **SEC. 2. REPORTING REQUIREMENT.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5948 of title 5, United
22 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
23 ing:

24 “(j)(1) Not later than June 30 of each year, the
25 President shall submit to each House of Congress a writ-

1 ten report on the operation of this section. Each report
2 shall include, with respect to the year covered by such re-
3 port, information as to—

4 “(A) which agencies entered into agreements
5 under this section;

6 “(B) the nature and extent of the recruitment
7 or retention problems justifying the use of authority
8 by each agency under this section;

9 “(C) the number of physicians with whom
10 agreements were entered into by each agency;

11 “(D) the size of the allowances and the dura-
12 tion of the agreements entered into; and

13 “(E) the degree to which the recruitment or re-
14 tention problems referred to in subparagraph (B)
15 were alleviated under this section.

16 “(2) In addition to the information required under
17 paragraph (1), the last report due under this subsection
18 before the expiration of the authority to enter into agree-
19 ments under this section shall include—

20 “(A) recommendations as to whether or not
21 such authority should be continued beyond Septem-
22 ber 30, 1997, and, if so, by what period of time; and

23 “(B) the reasons for those recommendations.”.

24 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The first report under sec-
25 tion 5948(j) of title 5, United States Code, as amended

1 by subsection (a), shall be due not later than June 30,
2 1994.

Passed the House of Representatives September 21,
1993.

Attest: DONNALD K. ANDERSON,
Clerk.