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(Original Signature of Member)

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to support rural residency training funding and promote partnerships with urban teaching hospitals.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. WENSTRUP introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to support rural residency training funding and promote partnerships with urban teaching hospitals.

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Rural-Urban Physician Workforce Act of 2020''.

SEC. 2. PROMOTING RURAL HOSPITAL GME FUNDING OPPORTUNITY.

Section 1886(h)(4)(H)(iv) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(h)(4)(iv)) is amended—

(1) by striking "(iv) NONRURAL HOSPITAL OPERATING TRAINING PROGRAMS IN RURAL AREAS.—In the case of" and inserting the following:

"(iv) TRAINING PROGRAMS IN RURAL AREAS.—

"(I) COST REPORTING PERIODS BEGINNING BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2022.—For cost reporting periods beginning before October 1, 2022, in the case of"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subclause:

"(II) COST REPORTING PERIODS BEGINNING ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2022.—For cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2022, in the case of a hospital not located in a rural area but establishes approved medical residency training programs (or rural tracks) in a rural area, the Secretary shall, subject to paragraphs (7) and (8) and in a manner con-

sistent with the principles of subparagraphs (F), (G) and (H)(i), promulgate rules for the application of such subparagraphs with respect to such a program and, in accordance with such rules, adjust in an appropriate manner the limitation under subparagraph (F) for such hospital and each such hospital located in a rural area that participates in such a training.''.