

Calendar No. 153

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**S. 2301**

To reauthorize certain programs regarding rural health care.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 16, 2025

Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina (for himself, Ms. SMITH, Ms. LUMMIS, and Mr. KAINE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

Reported by Mr. CASSIDY, without amendment

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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 “Improving Care in
5 Rural America Reauthorization Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. RURAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES OUTREACH,**
2 **RURAL HEALTH NETWORK DEVELOPMENT,**
3 **AND SMALL HEALTH CARE PROVIDER QUAL-**
4 **ITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAMS.**

5 (a) RURAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES OUTREACH
6 GRANTS.—Section 330A(e) of the Public Health Service
7 Act (42 U.S.C. 254c(e)) is amended by adding at the end
8 the following:

9 “(4) USE OF FUNDS FOR RURAL UNDERSERVED
10 POPULATIONS.—In awarding a grant under this sub-
11 section, the Director shall ensure that the funds
12 made available through the grant will be used, as
13 appropriate—

14 “(A) to meet the health care needs of rural
15 underserved populations in the local community
16 or region to be served; and

17 “(B) for other activities to ensure the rural
18 underserved populations in the local community
19 or region to be served will be involved in the de-
20 velopment and ongoing operations of the
21 project.”.

22 (b) RURAL HEALTH NETWORK DEVELOPMENT
23 GRANTS.—Section 330A(f) of the Public Health Service
24 Act (42 U.S.C. 254c(f)) is amended by adding at the end
25 the following:

1 “(4) USE OF FUNDS FOR RURAL UNDERSERVED
2 POPULATIONS.—In awarding a grant under this sub-
3 section, the Director shall ensure that the funds
4 made available through the grant will be used, as
5 appropriate—

6 “(A) to increase access to quality health
7 care services through integrated health care
8 networks for the rural underserved populations
9 in the local community or region to be served;
10 and

11 “(B) for other activities to ensure the rural
12 underserved populations in the local community
13 or region to be served will benefit from and be
14 involved in the planning, development, and on-
15 going implementation of the network.”.

16 (c) REAUTHORIZATION.—Section 330A(j) of the Pub-
17 lic Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c(j)) is amended by
18 striking “2021 through 2025” and inserting “2026
19 through 2030”.

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