H. R. 1767

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 14, 2019

Ms. Matsu (for herself, Mr. Mullin, Mr. Blumenauer, Ms. Bonamici, Mr. Carson of Indiana, Ms. Clarke of New York, Mr. Cole, Mr. Rodney Davis of Illinois, Mr. DeFazio, Mr. DeSaulnier, Mrs. Dingell, Mr. Emmer, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Gottheimer, Mr. Higgins of New York, Ms. Kendra S. Horn of Oklahoma, Mr. Katko, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. King of New York, Mr. Luetkemeyer, Mr. Luján, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Sean Patrick Maloney of New York, Ms. McCollum, Ms. Meng, Mr. Peterson, Miss Rice of New York, Ms. Roybal-Allard, Mr. Schrader, Mr. Serrano, Mr. Shies, Mr. Staub, Ms. Stefanik, Mr. Tonko, and Ms. Wild) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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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,
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4 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
5 This Act may be cited as the “Excellence in Mental
6 Health and Addiction Treatment Expansion Act”.

SEC. 2. COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.

Section 223(d) of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (42 U.S.C. 1396a note) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)—

(A) by striking “Not more than” and inserting “Subject to paragraph (8), not more than”; and

(B) by striking “2-year” and inserting “4-year”; and

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

“(8) ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS.—In addition to the 8 States selected under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall, not later than one year after the date of the enactment of the Excellence in Mental Health and Addiction Treatment Expansion Act, select 11 States (which shall not include any States selected under paragraph (1)) to participate in 2-year demonstration programs, that meet the requirements of this subsection, and represent a diverse selection of geographic areas, including rural and underserved areas.”.