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H. R. 5549

To amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to authorize advance appropriations for the Indian Health Service by providing 2-fiscal-year budget authority, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 8, 2021

Mr. YOUNG (for himself, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. KILMER, Mr. KIND, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. COLE, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Ms. STRICKLAND) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Indian Health Service
5 Advance Appropriations Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADVANCE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CERTAIN INDIAN**
2 **HEALTH SERVICE ACCOUNTS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 825 of the Indian Health
4 Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1680o) is amended—

5 (1) by inserting “(a)” before “There are au-
6 thorized”; and

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

8 “(b) For each fiscal year, beginning with the first fis-
9 cal year that starts during the year after the year in which
10 this subsection is enacted, discretionary new budget au-
11 thority provided for the Indian Health Services and Indian
12 Health Facilities accounts of the Indian Health Service
13 shall include advance discretionary new budget authority
14 that first becomes available for the first fiscal year after
15 the budget year.

16 “(c) The Secretary shall include in documents sub-
17 mitted to Congress in support of the President’s budget
18 submitted pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United
19 States Code, for each fiscal year to which subsection (b)
20 applies detailed estimates of the funds necessary for the
21 Indian Health Services and Indian Health Facilities ac-
22 counts of the Indian Health Service for the fiscal year fol-
23 lowing the fiscal year for which the budget is submitted.”.

24 (b) SUBMISSION OF BUDGET REQUEST.—Section
25 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by
26 adding at the end the following new paragraph:

1 “(40) information on estimates of appropria-
2 tions for the fiscal year following the fiscal year for
3 which the budget is submitted for the following ac-
4 counts of the Indian Health Service:

5 “(A) Indian Health Services.

6 “(B) Indian Health Facilities.

7 “(C) Contract Support Costs.

8 “(D) Payments For Tribal Leases.”.

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