117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 4279

To improve training requirements for health profession opportunity grant programs and exclude assistance provided by those programs from income tax, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 30, 2021

Mr. Panetta introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

- To improve training requirements for health profession opportunity grant programs and exclude assistance provided by those programs from income tax, and for other purposes.
 - 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 "Health Career Ad-
 - 5 vancement and Remuneration Exclusion for Training Act"
 - 6 or the "Health CARE Training Act".

1	SEC. 2. TRAINING REQUIREMENT FOR HEALTH PROFES-
2	SION OPPORTUNITY GRANT PARTICIPANTS.
3	(a) In General.—Section 2008(a)(2) of the Social
4	Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397g(a)(2)) is amended by add-
5	ing at the end the following:
6	"(D) Training.—A demonstration project
7	conducted by an eligible entity awarded a grant
8	under this subsection shall provide to an eligible
9	individual participating in the project who is
10	being trained to qualify for a recognized post-
11	secondary credential (including an industry-rec-
12	ognized credential, and a certificate awarded by
13	a local workforce development board established
14	under section 107 of the Workforce Innovation
15	and Opportunity Act) which is awarded in rec-
16	ognition of attainment of measurable technical
17	or occupational skills necessary to gain employ-
18	ment or advance within an occupation, a num-
19	ber of hours of such training that is not less
20	than—
21	"(i) the number of hours of training
22	required for certification of that level of
23	skill by the State in which the project is
24	conducted; or
25	"(ii) if there is no such requirement,
26	such number of hours of training as the

1	Secretary finds is necessary to achieve that
2	skill level.".
3	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
4	subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2021.
5	SEC. 3. EXCLUSION OF ASSISTANCE PROVIDED UNDER A
6	HEALTH PROFESSIONS WORKFORCE DEM-
7	ONSTRATION PROJECT FROM FEDERAL IN-
8	COME TAX.
9	(a) In General.—Section 2008(a)(2)(A)(ii) of the
10	Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397g(a)(2)(A)(ii)) is
11	amended to read as follows:
12	"(ii) Income disregard.—Amounts
13	paid to an eligible individual as a cash sti-
14	pend or as emergency assistance under a
15	project for which a grant is made under
16	this section shall not be considered income
17	for any purpose under the Internal Rev-
18	enue Code of 1986, and an entity making
19	such a payment shall not be required to
20	submit an information return under sub-
21	title F of such Code with respect to the
22	payment.".

- 1 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 2 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to amounts paid

3 on or after October 1, 2021.

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