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H. R. 1888

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require a Federal medical assistance percentage of 100 percent for Indian health care providers, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 2021

Mr. RUIZ 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Improving Access to
5 Indian Health Services Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF FULL FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSIST-**
2 **ANCE PERCENTAGE TO INDIAN HEALTH**
3 **CARE PROVIDERS.**

4 Section 1905 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
5 1396d) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a), by amending paragraph
7 (9) to read as follows:

8 “(9) clinic services furnished by or under the
9 direction of a physician, without regard to whether
10 the clinic itself is administered by a physician, in-
11 cluding—

12 “(A) such services furnished outside the
13 clinic by clinic personnel to an eligible indi-
14 vidual who does not reside in a permanent
15 dwelling or does not have a fixed home or mail-
16 ing address; and

17 “(B) such services furnished outside the
18 clinic by any Indian Health Service facility, a
19 health program or facility operated by a tribe or
20 tribal organization under the Indian Self-Deter-
21 mination Act (Public Law 93–638), or an
22 urban Indian organization receiving funds
23 under title V of the Indian Health Care Im-
24 provement Act;”; and

25 (2) in subsection (b), by inserting after “Papa
26 Ola Lokahi under section 8 of such Act” the fol-

1 lowing: “; the Federal medical assistance percentage
2 shall also be 100 per centum with respect to
3 amounts expended as medical assistance for services
4 which are received by an Indian Health Service facil-
5 ity, a health program or facility operated by a tribe
6 or tribal organization under the Indian Self-Deter-
7 mination Act (Public Law 93–638), or an urban In-
8 dian organization receiving funds under title V of
9 the Indian Health Care Improvement Act”.

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