

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to prohibit approved medical residency training programs under the Medicare program from requiring opt-out abortion training.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. DAINES, Mrs. BRITT, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. BUDD, Mr. BANKS, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. HAWLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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 “Conscience Protections
5 for Medical Residents Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING APPROVED MEDICAL RESIDENCY**
2 **TRAINING PROGRAMS UNDER THE MEDI-**
3 **CARE PROGRAM FROM REQUIRING OPT-OUT**
4 **ABORTION TRAINING.**

5 Section 1886(h)(5)(A) of the Social Security Act (42
6 U.S.C. 1395ww(h)(5)(A)) is amended by adding at the
7 end the following new sentence: “Beginning on the date
8 of enactment of the Conscience Protections for Medical
9 Residents Act, such term does not include any such resi-
10 dency or other postgraduate medical training program
11 that provides training in the performance of, or assisting
12 in the performance of, induced abortions, or in counseling
13 or referrals for such abortions, if such program—

14 “(i) provides or requires such training
15 for any participant in such program with-
16 out the participant first voluntarily electing
17 to opt-in to undergo such training; or

18 “(ii) subjects any participant in such
19 program to discrimination on the basis
20 that the participant does not—

21 “(I) voluntarily elect to opt-in to
22 undergo such training; or

23 “(II) perform, assist in the per-
24 formance of, or provide counseling or
25 referrals for, such abortions.”.