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H. R. 6666

To authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to eligible entities to conduct diagnostic testing for COVID–19, and related activities such as contact tracing, through mobile health units and, as necessary, at individuals’ residences, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2020

Mr. RUSH (for himself, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. BASS, Mr. BEYER, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CORREA, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. DEGETTE, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. MOORE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. ROUDA, Mr. RYAN, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. SIRES, Mr. SOTO, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. VAN DREW, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and Mrs. NAPOLITANO) 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,*

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “COVID–19 Testing,
3 Reaching, And **Contacting Everyone** (TRACE) Act”.

4 SEC. 2. COVID–19 TESTING AND CONTACT TRACING USING
5 MOBILE HEALTH UNITS.

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
7 Human Services, acting through the Director of the Cen-
8 ters for Disease Control and Prevention, may award
9 grants to eligible entities to conduct diagnostic testing for
10 COVID–19, to trace and monitor the contacts of infected
11 individuals, and to support the quarantine of such con-
12 tacts, through—

13 (1) mobile health units; and

14 (2) as necessary, testing individuals and pro-
15 viding individuals with services related to testing and
16 quarantine at their residences.

17 (b) PERMISSIBLE USES OF FUNDS.—A grant recipi-
18 ent under this section may use the grant funds, in support
19 of the activities described in subsection (a)—

20 (1) to hire, train, compensate, and pay the ex-
21 penses of individuals; and

22 (2) to purchase personal protective equipment
23 and other supplies.

24 (c) PRIORITY.—In selecting grant recipients under
25 this section, the Secretary shall give priority to—