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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to health care providers to enhance the physical and cyber security of their facilities, personnel, and patients.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. ESCOBAR introduced the following bill; which was 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 “Health Care Providers
5 Safety Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANTS TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO EN-**
2 **HANCE SECURITY.**

3 Part P of title III of the Public Health Service Act
4 (42 U.S.C. 280g et seq.) (as amended by Public Law 117–
5 328) is amended by adding at the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 399V-8. GRANTS TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO EN-**
7 **HANCE SECURITY.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award grants
9 to health care providers to pay for security services and
10 otherwise enhance the physical and cyber security of their
11 facilities, personnel, and patients to ensure safe access.

12 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—A health care provider receiv-
13 ing a grant under this section may use the grant to pay
14 the costs of necessary security services and enhancements
15 to physical access and cyber security, including video sur-
16 veillance camera systems, data privacy enhancements, and
17 structural improvements.”.