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# S. 3757

To reauthorize the congenital heart disease research, surveillance, and awareness program of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. YOUNG) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## 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 “Congenital Heart Fu-  
5 tures Reauthorization Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE RE-**  
7 **SEARCH, SURVEILLANCE, AND AWARENESS.**

8 Section 399V–2 of the Public Health Service Act (42  
9 U.S.C. 280g–13) is amended—

1           (1) by redesignating subsections (f) and (g) as  
2 subsections (h) and (i), respectively;

3           (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
4 lowing:

5           “(f) STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after  
7 the date of enactment of the Congenital Heart Fu-  
8 tures Reauthorization Act of 2024, the Secretary  
9 shall convene a workshop composed of subject mat-  
10 ter experts, on adult patients living with congenital  
11 heart disease, to—

12           “(A) identify research gaps and opportuni-  
13 ties related to the lifelong needs of congenital  
14 heart disease patients, including long-term  
15 health outcomes, quality of life, mental health,  
16 and health care utilization;

17           “(B) assess the workforce capacity in the  
18 United States of health care providers who  
19 treat adult patients living with congenital heart  
20 disease, and options to address any such short-  
21 ages in such workforce, which may include  
22 strategies to expand fellowship training pro-  
23 grams and support regional care centers; and

24           “(C) foster collaboration and dissemination  
25 of information across Federal agencies, health

1 care providers, researchers, and patient organi-  
2 zations.

3 “(2) COMPOSITION.—The workshop described  
4 in paragraph (1) shall be led by the Secretary, and  
5 shall involve participants that include, as appro-  
6 priate, stakeholders representing patient organiza-  
7 tions, health care professionals, research entities,  
8 health insurance providers, accrediting organiza-  
9 tions, and relevant Federal agencies, including the  
10 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Na-  
11 tional Institutes of Health, and the Health Re-  
12 sources and Services Administration.

13 “(g) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date  
14 of enactment of the Congenital Heart Futures Reauthor-  
15 ization Act of 2024, the Secretary shall issue a report to  
16 the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-  
17 sions of the Senate and the Committee on Energy and  
18 Commerce of the House of Representatives on findings  
19 and recommendations of the Secretary with respect to  
20 strategies to advance research related to the lifelong needs  
21 of congenital heart disease patients and address workforce  
22 shortages of providers for adult patients living with con-  
23 genital heart disease, and, as appropriate, progress made  
24 by the Secretary to implement such strategies and a plan  
25 for implementing such recommendations.”; and

1           (3) in subsection (i), as so redesignated, by  
2           striking “2020 through 2024” and inserting “2025  
3           through 2029”.

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