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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. DINGELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

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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 “Home Care Worker

5 Training Improvement Act of 2020”.
SEC. 2. MEDICAID FUNDING FOR HOMECARE WORKER TRAINING PROGRAMS.

Section 1903 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(2), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(F) for calendar quarters beginning on or after January 1, 2021, amount equal to 75 percent of so much of the sums expended during such quarter for homecare worker training programs described in subsection (bb) (including the costs for eligible homecare workers (as defined in such subsection) to complete such programs); plus”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(bb) HOMECARE WORKER TRAINING PROGRAMS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—A homecare worker training program described in this subsection is a program approved by the State under which eligible homecare workers are provided with—

“(A) training in the core training competencies for personal or home care aides described in section 2008(b)(3)(A); and

“(B) opportunities for education, training, and career advancement.
“(2) ELIGIBLE HOMECARE WORKER.—The term ‘eligible homecare worker’ means a personal or home care aide (as such term is defined in section 2008(b)(6)(C)) who—

“(A) has at least 30 percent of the worker’s patient volume (as estimated in accordance with a methodology established by the Secretary) attributable to individuals who are receiving medical assistance under this title; or

“(B) is employed by an agency that is a provider of personal or home care services that has at least 30 percent of the agency’s patient volume (as so estimated) attributable to such individuals.”.