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H. R. 7385

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Mr. FOGARTY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce

A BILL

To amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the educational quality of schools of medicine, dentistry, optometry, and osteopathy, to authorize grants under that Act to such schools for the awarding of scholarships to needy students, and to extend expiring provisions of that Act for student loans and for aid in construction of teaching facilities for students in such schools and schools for other health professions, and for other purposes.

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
- 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3 That this Act may be cited as the "Health Professions
- 4 Educational Assistance Amendments of 1965".

1 EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIP
2 GRANTS TO SCHOOLS OF MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, AND
3 OSTEOPATHY

4 SEC. 2. (a) Title VII of the Public Health Service Act
5 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
6 parts:

7 "PART E—GRANTS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF SCHOOLS
8 OF MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, OPTOMETRY, AND OSTE-
9 OPATHY

10 "AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

11 "SEC. 770. There are authorized to be appropriated
12 \$20,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966, and
13 such sums as may be necessary for each of the four succeed-
14 ing fiscal years, for grants under this part to assist schools
15 of medicine, dentistry, optometry, and osteopathy to im-
16 prove the quality of their educational programs.

17 "BASIC IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

18 "SEC. 771. (a) The Surgeon General may make basic
19 improvement grants as follows:

20 "(1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966, each
21 school of medicine, dentistry, optometry, or osteopathy
22 whose application for a basic improvement grant for such
23 year has been approved by the Surgeon General shall be
24 paid the sum of \$12,500 plus the product obtained by mul-

1 multiplying \$250 by the number of full-time students in such
2 school.

3 “(2) For each fiscal year in the period beginning
4 July 1, 1966, and ending June 30, 1970, each such school
5 whose application has been approved for such a grant for
6 such year shall be paid the sum of \$25,000 plus the product
7 obtained by multiplying \$500 by the number of full-time
8 students in such school.

9 “(b) For purposes of this part and part F, regulations
10 of the Surgeon General shall include provisions relating to
11 determination of the number of students enrolled in a school,
12 or in a particular year-class in a school, as the case may be,
13 on the basis of estimates, or on the basis of the number of
14 students enrolled in a school, or in a particular year-class in
15 a school, in an earlier year, as the case may be, or on such
16 basis as he deems appropriate for making such determina-
17 tion, and shall include methods of making such determina-
18 tions when a school or a year-class was not in existence in an
19 earlier year at a school.

20 “(c) For purposes of this part and part F, the term
21 ‘full-time students’ (whether such term is used by itself
22 or in connection with a particular year-class) means stu-
23 dents pursuing a full-time course of study leading to a degree
24 of doctor of medicine, doctor of dentistry or an equivalent

1 degree, doctor of optometry or an equivalent degree, or
2 doctor of osteopathy.

3 "SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

4 "SEC. 772. From the sums appropriated under section
5 770 for any fiscal year and not required for making grants
6 under section 771, the Surgeon General may make an addi-
7 tional grant for such year to any school of medicine, den-
8 tistry, optometry, or osteopathy which has an approved ap-
9 plication therefor and for which an application has been
10 approved under section 771 if he determines that the appli-
11 cant needs additional financial assistance in order to
12 strengthen its curriculum or to improve the quality of its
13 education. No grant to any school under this section for any
14 fiscal year may exceed \$100,000 for the fiscal year ending
15 June 30, 1966; \$200,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30,
16 1967; \$300,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968;
17 or \$400,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, or the
18 succeeding fiscal year.

19 "APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS

20 "SEC. 773. (a) The Surgeon General may from time
21 to time set dates (not earlier than in the fiscal year pre-
22 ceding the year for which a grant is sought) by which
23 applications for basic or special grants under section 771
24 or 772 for any fiscal year must be filed.

25 "(b) To be eligible for a grant under this part, the ap-

1 plicant must (1) be a public or other nonprofit school of
2 medicine, optometry, dentistry, or osteopathy, and (2) be
3 accredited by a recognized body or bodies approved for such
4 purpose by the Commissioner of Education, except that the
5 requirement of this clause (2) shall be deemed to be satisfied
6 if, (A) in the case of a school which by reason of no, or an
7 insufficient period of operation is not, at the time of applica-
8 tion for a grant under this part, eligible for such accreditation,
9 the Commissioner finds after consultation with the appropri-
10 ate accreditation body or bodies, that there is reasonable
11 assurance that the school will meet the accreditation standards
12 of such body or bodies prior to the beginning of the academic
13 year following the normal graduation date of students who
14 are in their first year of instruction at such school during the
15 fiscal year in which the Surgeon General makes a final de-
16 termination as to approval of the application, or (B) in the
17 case of any other school, the Commissioner finds after such
18 consultation and after consultation with the Surgeon General
19 that there is reasonable ground to expect that, with the aid
20 of a grant or grants under this part, having regard for the
21 purposes of the grant sought, such school will meet such
22 accreditation standards within a reasonable time.

23 “(c) The Surgeon General shall not approve or disap-
24 prove any application for a grant under this part except after

1 consultation with the National Advisory Council on Medical
2 and Dental Education (established by section 774).

3 “(d) A grant under this part may be made only if the
4 application therefor is approved by the Surgeon General
5 upon his determination that the application meets the eligi-
6 bility conditions set forth in subsection (b) of this section,
7 sets forth plans for using the grants which the Surgeon
8 General finds give reasonable promise of strengthening and
9 improving the school’s faculty and curriculum, contains such
10 additional information as he may require to make the deter-
11 minations required of him under this part and such assur-
12 ances as he may find necessary to carry out the purposes
13 of this part, and provides for such fiscal-control and account-
14 ing procedures and reports, and access to the records of
15 grant recipients, as he may require to assure proper disburse-
16 ment of and accounting for Federal funds paid to the
17 applicant under this part.

18 “(e) In considering applications for grants under sec-
19 tion 772, the Surgeon General shall take into consideration
20 the relative financial need of the applicant for such a grant,
21 the relative effectiveness of the applicant’s plan in
22 strengthening and improving its faculty and curriculum and
23 in contributing to an equitable geographical distribution of
24 opportunities for high-quality training of physicians, dentists,
25 optometrists, and osteopaths; and such other factors as he

1 after consultation with the National Advisory Council on
2 Medical, Optometric, and Dental Education, may deem
3 relevant.

4 "NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON MEDICAL OPTOMETRIC
5 AND DENTAL EDUCATION

6 "SEC. 774. (a) There is hereby established in the Pub-
7 lic Health Service a National Advisory Council on Medical
8 Optometric and Dental Education consisting of the Surgeon
9 General, who shall be Chairman, and twelve members ap-
10 pointed without regard to the civil service laws by the Sur-
11 geon General with the approval of the Secretary of Health,
12 Education, and Welfare, and such appointments may be
13 made for specified staggered terms. The appointed members
14 of the Council shall be selected from among leading authori-
15 ties in the fields of medical optometric and of dental educa-
16 tion, respectively, except that not less than three of such
17 members shall be selected from the general public.

18 "(b) The Council shall advise the Surgeon General in
19 the preparation of general regulations and with respect to
20 policy matters arising in the administration of this part and
21 part F, and in the review of applications under this part.

22 "(c) The Surgeon General is authorized to use the
23 services of any member or members of the Council in connec-
24 tion with matters related to the administration of this part

1 or part F, for such periods, in addition to conference periods,
2 as he may determine.

3 “(d) Appointed members of the Council, while attend-
4 ing conferences or meetings of the Council or while otherwise
5 serving at the request of the Surgeon General, shall be en-
6 titled to receive compensation at rates to be fixed by the
7 Secretary but not exceeding \$100 per day, including travel
8 time; and while away from their homes or regular places of
9 business they may be allowed travel expenses, including per
10 diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5 of the
11 Administrative Expenses Act of 1946 (5 U.S.C. 73b-2) for
12 persons in the Government service employed intermittently.

13 “PART F—SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO SCHOOLS OF MEDI-
14 CINE, OSTEOPATHY, OPTOMETRY, OR DENTISTRY

15 “SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

16 “SEC. 780. (a) The Surgeon General shall make grants
17 as provided in this part to each public or other nonprofit
18 school of medicine, osteopathy, optometry, or dentistry,
19 which is accredited as provided in section 721 (b) (1) (B)
20 or section 773 (b) (2), for scholarships to be awarded an-
21 nually by such school to students thereof.

22 “(b) The amount of the grant under subsection (a)
23 to each such school shall be equal to \$2,000 multiplied, (1)
24 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1966, by one-tenth of
25 the number of full-time first-year students of such school;

1 (2) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1967, by one-tenth
2 of the number of full-time first-year students and second-
3 year students of such school; (3) for the fiscal year ending
4 June 30, 1968, by one-tenth of the number of full-time first-
5 year students, second-year students, and third-year students
6 of such school; and (4) for the fiscal year ending June 30,
7 1969, and for the succeeding fiscal year, by one-tenth of
8 the number of full-time students of such school. For the
9 fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, and for each of the two
10 succeeding fiscal years, the grant under subsection (a) shall
11 be such amount as may be necessary to enable such school
12 to continue making payments under scholarship awards to
13 students who initially received such awards out of grants
14 made to the school for fiscal years ending prior to July 1,
15 1970.

16 “(c) (1). Scholarships may be awarded by schools from
17 grants under subsection (a).—

18 “(A) only to individuals who have been accepted
19 by them for enrollment as full-time first-year students, in
20 the case of awards from such grants for the fiscal year
21 ending June 30, 1966;

22 “(B) only to individuals who have been so ac-
23 cepted, and individuals enrolled and in good standing as
24 full-time second-year students, in the case of awards from

1 such grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1967;

2 “(C) only to individuals who have been so ac-
3 cepted, and individuals enrolled and in good standing as
4 full-time second-year or third-year students, in the case
5 of awards from such grants for the fiscal year ending
6 June 30, 1968;

7 “(D) only to individuals who have been so ac-
8 cepted, and individuals enrolled and in good standing as
9 full-time students, in the case of awards from such grants
10 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969, or for the suc-
11 ceeding fiscal year; and

12 “(E) only to individuals enrolled and in good
13 standing as full-time students who initially received
14 scholarship awards out of such grants for a fiscal year
15 ending prior to July 1, 1970, in the case of awards from
16 such grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, or
17 the two succeeding fiscal years.

18 “(2) Scholarships from grants under subsection (a) for
19 any school year shall be awarded to students, particularly
20 students from low-income families, on the basis of need for
21 financial assistance in pursuing a course of study at the school
22 for such year. Any such scholarship awarded for a school
23 year shall cover such portion of the student's tuition, fees,
24 books, equipment, and living expenses at the school making
25 the award, but not to exceed \$2,500 for any year, as such

1 school may determine the student needs for such year on the
2 basis of his requirements and financial resources.

3 “(d) Grants under subsection (a) shall be made in
4 accordance with regulations prescribed after consultation with
5 the National Advisory Council on Medical, Optometric, and
6 Dental Education.

7 “(e) Grants under subsection (a) may be paid in ad-
8 vance or by way of reimbursement, and at such intervals
9 as the Surgeon General may find necessary; and with ap-
10 propriate adjustments on account of overpayments or under-
11 payments previously made.”

12 (b) Section 724 of such Act (containing definitions) is
13 amended by striking out “As used in this part” and inserting
14 in lieu thereof “As used in this part and parts C, E, and F”;
15 and section 740 (a) of such Act is amended by striking out
16 “(as defined in section 724)”.

17 EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM FOR MEDICAL,
18 DENTAL, AND OTHER HEALTH PROFESSION SCHOOLS

19 SEC. 3. (a) Effective with respect to appropriations for
20 fiscal years beginning after June 30, 1966, section 720 of
21 such Act is amended to read as follows:

22 “SEC. 720. There are authorized to be appropriated for
23 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1967, and for each of the
24 four succeeding fiscal years, such sums as may be necessary
25 for—

1 " (1) grants to assist in the construction of new
2 teaching facilities for the training of physicians, pharma-
3 cists, optometrists, podiatrists, or professional public
4 health personnel;

5 " (2) grants to assist in the construction of new
6 teaching facilities for the training of dentists; and

7 " (3) grants to assist in the replacement or re-
8 habilitation of existing teaching facilities for the
9 training of physicians, pharmacists, optometrists, podi-
10 atrists, professional public health personnel, or dentists.

11 Sums so appropriated shall remain available until expended."

12 (b) Subsection (a) of section 721 of such Act is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 " (a) The Surgeon General may from time to time set
15 dates (not earlier than in the fiscal year preceding the year
16 for which a grant is sought) by which applications for grants
17 under this part for any fiscal year must be filed."

18 EXTENSION OF, AND IMPROVEMENTS IN, PROGRAM

19 FOR STUDENT LOANS

20 SEC. 4. (a) Subsection (b) (4) of section 740 of such
21 Act is amended by striking out "July 1, 1966" and inserting
22 in lieu thereof "July 1, 1971".

23 (b) Subsection (a) of section 741 of such Act is
24 amended by striking out "may not exceed \$2,000" and
25 inserting in lieu thereof "may not exceed \$2,500".

1 (c) Subsection (a) of section 742 of such Act is
2 amended (1) by inserting "(other than section 744)" after
3 "to carry out this part", and (2) by striking out that part of
4 the first sentence that follows "June 30, 1966," and inserting
5 in lieu thereof the following: "and such sums as may be nec-
6 essary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1967, and each
7 of the four succeeding fiscal years. There are further au-
8 thorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums for
9 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972, and each of the two
10 succeeding fiscal years as may be necessary to enable students
11 who have received a loan under this part for any academic
12 year ending before July 1, 1971, to continue or complete
13 their education."

14 (d) Section 743 of such Act is amended by striking out
15 "1969" wherever it appears therein and inserting in lieu
16 thereof "1974."

17 (e) Section 744 of such Act is amended by adding at
18 the end thereof the following new sentences: "There are
19 hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be
20 necessary to carry out the purposes of this section, but not
21 to exceed a total of \$2,500,000. Loans made by the Sur-
22 geon General under this section shall mature within such
23 period as may be determined by the Surgeon General to be
24 appropriate in each case, but not exceeding fifteen years."

TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS

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2 SEC. 5. (a) Clause (B) of section 721 (b) (1) of such
3 Act (relating to the accreditation of new schools of medi-
4 cine, etc.) is amended by (1) striking out “, upon comple-
5 tion of such facility,” and (2) inserting the following after
6 “meet the accreditation standards of such bodies”: “(i)
7 prior to the beginning of the academic year following the
8 normal graduation date of the first entering class in such
9 school or (ii) if later, upon completion of the project for
10 which assistance is requested and other projects (if any)
11 under construction or planned and to be commenced within
12 a reasonable time.”

13 (b) Clause (1) of section 843 (f) of such Act (relating
14 to accreditation of new schools of nursing), is amended by
15 striking out “new school” and the remainder of such clause
16 and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “new school
17 (which shall include a school that has not had a sufficient
18 period of operation to be eligible for accreditation), (A)
19 upon completion of such project and other construction
20 projects (if any) then under construction or planned and to
21 be commenced within a reasonable time, or (B) if later,
22 then prior to the beginning of the first academic year fol-
23 lowing the normal graduation date of the first entering class
24 in such school;”.

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