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[Report No. 839]

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 13, 1955

Mr. HILL (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. MURRAY, Mr. IVES, Mr. NEELY, Mr. PURTELL, Mr. DOUGLAS, Mr. BENDER, Mr. LEHMAN, Mr. ALLOTT, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. McNAMARA) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare

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Reported by Mr. HILL, without amendment

A BILL

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That section 314 of the Public Health Service Act, as
4 amended (42 U. S. C. 246), is amended—

5 (a) by redesignating subsection (c) as subsection
6 (c) (1) and by adding at the end of such subsection
7 a new paragraph as follows:

8 “(2) To enable the Surgeon General to assist, through
9 grants, the States to provide children (under the age of



1 20) and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination
2 against poliomyelitis, there are hereby authorized to be
3 appropriated for the period beginning July 1, 1955, and
4 ending December 31, 1956, such sums as may be neces-
5 sary to carry out the purposes of this paragraph. At the
6 request of any State the Surgeon General may use all or
7 any portion of any monetary grant authorized to be made
8 to such State under this paragraph for the purchase of polio-
9 myelitis vaccine to be furnished to the State in lieu of such
10 grant (or such portion thereof). Vaccine so furnished shall
11 be subject to the same requirements as to use as vaccine pur-
12 chased from monetary grants to States under this paragraph.
13 The Surgeon General may, in his discretion and in accord-
14 ance with regulations designed to assure the most effective
15 and equitable distribution of available supplies of poliomye-
16 litis vaccine, specify certain categories of children and ex-
17 pectant mothers to be accorded priority in receiving an
18 opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis, and dur-
19 ing any period in which any priority group has been so estab-
20 lished and is in effect all vaccine acquired by any State,
21 through assistance provided pursuant to this paragraph shall
22 be made available only to persons within any such group.
23 As used in this paragraph, the term 'State' means a State
24 or the District of Columbia, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico,

1 the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Canal
2 Zone.”;

3 (b) by striking out “(c)” in subsection (h) and
4 inserting in lieu thereof “(c) (1)”;

5 (c) (1) by striking out “money paid” in the first
6 sentence of subsection (i) and inserting in lieu thereof
7 “monetary grants (including grants of supplies of polio-
8 myelitis vaccine purchased out of appropriations under
9 subsection (c) (2))”;

10 (2) by striking out “payments” wherever it ap-
11 pears in that part of the first sentence of subsection (i)
12 which follows clauses (1), (2), and (3) and inserting
13 in lieu thereof “grants”; and

14 (3) by inserting in lieu of the last sentence of sub-
15 section (i) the following: “Until he is so satisfied the
16 Surgeon General shall deny further grants to such State,
17 subdivision, or organization from appropriations under
18 such subsection, or shall limit any assistance thereunder
19 to activities in which there is no such failure.”

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