

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE**  
**TO H.R. 7208**  
**OFFERED BY M. \_\_\_\_\_**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Dennis John Beningo  
3 Traumatic Brain Injury Program Reauthorization Act of  
4 2024”.

5 **SEC. 2. PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INJURIES.**

6       Section 394A(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
7 U.S.C. 280b–3(b)) is amended by striking “fiscal years  
8 2020 through 2024” and inserting “fiscal years 2025  
9 through 2029”.

10 **SEC. 3. STATE GRANTS FOR PROJECTS REGARDING TRAU-**  
11 **MATIC BRAIN INJURY.**

12       Section 1252 of the Public Health Service Act (42  
13 U.S.C. 300d–52) is amended—

14           (1) by striking subsection (e);

15           (2) by redesignating subsections (f) through (j)  
16 as subsections (e) through (i), respectively;

17           (3) by amending subsection (g)(2), as so redес-  
18 igned, to read as follows:

1           “(2)(A) The term ‘traumatic brain injury’  
2 means an acquired injury to the brain.

3           “(B) Such term—

4                 “(i) does not include brain dysfunction  
5 caused by congenital or degenerative disorders,  
6 nor birth trauma; and

7                 “(ii) may include—

8                         “(I) brain injuries caused by anoxia  
9 due to trauma; and

10                         “(II) damage to the brain from an in-  
11 ternal or external source that results in in-  
12 fection, toxicity, surgery, or vascular dis-  
13 orders not associated with aging.

14           “(C) The Secretary may revise the definition of  
15 such term as the Secretary determines necessary,  
16 after consultation with States and other appropriate  
17 public or nonprofit private entities.”; and

18           (4) in subsection (i), as so redesignated, by  
19 striking “fiscal years 2020 through 2024” and in-  
20 serting “fiscal years 2025 through 2029”.

21 **SEC. 4. STATE GRANTS FOR PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY**  
22 **SERVICES.**

23           Section 1253(l) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
24 U.S.C. 300d–53(l)) is amended by striking “fiscal years

1 2020 through 2024” and inserting “fiscal years 2025  
2 through 2029”.

3 **SEC. 5. REPORT ON DESIGNATING BRAIN INJURY AS A**  
4 **CHRONIC CONDITION.**

5 The Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting  
6 through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control  
7 and Prevention, shall—

8 (1) examine the evidence base for designating  
9 brain injury as a chronic condition that can impact  
10 individuals with brain injury across the lifespan; and

11 (2) not later than 18 months after the date of  
12 enactment of this Act, submit to the Committee on  
13 Energy and Commerce of the House of Representa-  
14 tives and the Committee on Health, Education,  
15 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate a report detailing  
16 the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of  
17 the examination described in paragraph (1).

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to reauthorize  
the Traumatic Brain Injury program, and for other pur-  
poses.”.

