

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. \_\_\_\_\_**

**OFFERED BY MS. SCHAKOWSKY OF ILLINOIS**

**[Page and line numbers refer to the posted draft of the  
CHAMPION Act, dated October 2, 2017]**

Page 15, lines 7 through 12, strike subsection (d)  
(and make such conforming changes as may be necessary) and insert the following:

1       (d) ABORTION COVERAGE AND CARE REGARDLESS  
2 OF INCOME OR SOURCES OF INCOME.—

3               (1) ENSURING ABORTION COVERAGE AND CARE  
4 THROUGH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN ITS ROLE  
5 AS AN INSURER, EMPLOYER, OR HEALTH CARE PRO-  
6 VIDER.—The Federal Government shall—

7               (A) ensure coverage for abortion care in  
8 public health insurance programs including  
9 Medicaid, Medicare, and the Children’s Health  
10 Insurance Program;

11              (B) in its role as an employer or health  
12 plan sponsor, ensure coverage for abortion care  
13 for participants and beneficiaries; and

14              (C) in its role as a provider of health serv-  
15 ices, ensure abortion care is made available to  
16 individuals who are eligible to receive services in

1           its own facilities or in facilities with which it  
2           contracts to provide medical care.

3           (2) PROHIBITING RESTRICTIONS ON PRIVATE  
4           INSURANCE COVERAGE OF ABORTION CARE.—

5                   (A) FEDERAL RESTRICTIONS.—The Fed-  
6           eral Government shall not prohibit, restrict, or  
7           otherwise inhibit insurance coverage of abortion  
8           care by State or local government or by private  
9           health plans.

10                   (B) STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-  
11           STRICTIONS.—State and local governments shall  
12           not prohibit, restrict, or otherwise inhibit insur-  
13           ance coverage of abortion care by private health  
14           plans.

15           (3) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of  
16           the Congress that—

17                   (A) the Federal Government, acting in its  
18           capacity as an insurer, employer, or health care  
19           provider, should serve as a model for the Na-  
20           tion to ensure coverage of abortion care; and

21                   (B) moreover, restrictions on coverage of  
22           abortion care in the private insurance market  
23           must end.

24           (4) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this  
25           subsection shall be construed to have any effect on

1 any Federal, State, or local law that includes more  
2 protections for abortion coverage or care than those  
3 set forth in this subsection.

4 (5) SEVERABILITY.—If any portion of this sub-  
5 section or the application thereof to any person or  
6 circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall  
7 not affect the portions or applications of this sub-  
8 section which can be given effect without the invalid  
9 portion or application.

