

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE  
TO THE COMMITTEE PRINT RELATING TO  
SUPPORT TO SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES  
IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19**

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In lieu of the proposed recommendations, insert the following:

**1 Subtitle E—Support to Skilled  
2 Nursing Facilities in Response  
3 to COVID-19**

**4 SEC. 9401. PROVIDING FOR INFECTION CONTROL SUPPORT  
5 TO SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES THROUGH  
6 CONTRACTS WITH QUALITY IMPROVEMENT  
7 ORGANIZATIONS.**

8 Section 1862(g) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
9 1395y(g)) is amended—

10 (1) by striking “The Secretary” and inserting  
11 “(1) The Secretary”; and

12 (2) by adding at the end the following new  
13 paragraph:

14 “(2) In addition to any amounts otherwise available,  
15 there is appropriated to the Secretary, out of any monies  
16 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,

1 \$200,000,000, to remain available until expended, for pur-  
2 poses of carrying out infection control support (as deter-  
3 mined appropriate by the Secretary) through the develop-  
4 ment and dissemination of protocols relating to the pre-  
5 vention or mitigation of COVID–19 in skilled nursing fa-  
6 cilities (as defined in section 1819(a)).”.

7 **SEC. 9402. FUNDING FOR STRIKE TEAMS FOR RESIDENT**  
8 **AND EMPLOYEE SAFETY IN SKILLED NURS-**  
9 **ING FACILITIES.**

10 Section 1819 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
11 1395i–3) is amended by adding at the end the following  
12 new subsection:

13 “(k) **FUNDING FOR STRIKE TEAMS.**—In addition to  
14 amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the  
15 Secretary, out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise  
16 appropriated, \$250,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
17 pended, for purposes of allocating such amount among the  
18 States (including the District of Columbia and each terri-  
19 tory of the United States) to increase the capacity of such  
20 a State to respond to COVID–19 by allowing such a State  
21 to establish and implement a strike team that will be de-  
22 ployed to a skilled nursing facility in the State with diag-  
23 nosed or suspected cases of COVID–19 among residents  
24 or staff for the purposes of assisting with clinical care,

- 1 infection control, or staffing during the emergency period
- 2 described in section 1135(g)(1)(B).”.

