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AMENDMENT NO. 1

Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To provide for the establishment of an National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters.

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S. 1855

To amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize various programs under the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by _____

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 **SEC. ____ . NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**
3 **AND DISASTERS.**

4 Subtitle B of title XXVIII of the Public Health Serv-
5 ice Act (42 U.S.C. 300hh et seq.) is amended by inserting
6 after section 2811 the end the following:

7 **"SEC. 2811A. NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CHIL-**
8 **DREN AND DISASTERS.**

9 "(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, in consulta-
10 tion with the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall estab-
11 lish an advisory committee to be known as the 'National

1 Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters' (referred
2 to in this section as the 'Advisory Committee').

3 "(b) DUTIES.—The Advisory Committee shall—

4 "(1) provide advice and consultation with re-
5 spect to the activities carried out pursuant to section
6 2814, as applicable and appropriate;

7 "(2) evaluate and provide input with respect to
8 the needs of children as they relate to preparation
9 for, response to, and recovery from all-hazards, in-
10 cluding public health emergencies; and

11 "(3) provide advice and consultation to States
12 and territories with respect to State emergency pre-
13 paredness and response activities and children, in-
14 cluding related drills and exercises pursuant to the
15 preparedness goals under section 2802(b).

16 "(c) ADDITIONAL DUTIES.—The Advisory Committee
17 may provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary
18 with respect to children and the medical and public health
19 grants and cooperative agreements as applicable to pre-
20 paredness and response activities authorized under this
21 title and title III.

22 "(d) MEMBERSHIP.—

23 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consulta-
24 tion with such other Secretaries as may be appro-
25 priate, shall appoint not to exceed 15 members to

1 the Advisory Committee. In appointing such mem-
2 bers, the Secretary shall ensure that the total mem-
3 bership of the Advisory Committee is an odd num-
4 ber.

5 “(2) REQUIRED MEMBERS.—The Secretary, in
6 consultation with such other Secretaries as may be
7 appropriate, may appoint to the Advisory Committee
8 under paragraph (1) such individuals as may be ap-
9 propriate to perform the duties described in sub-
10 sections (b) and (c), which may include—

11 “(A) the Assistant Secretary for Prepared-
12 ness and Response;

13 “(B) the Director of the Biomedical Ad-
14 vanced Research and Development Authority;

15 “(C) the Director of the Centers for Dis-
16 ease Control and Prevention;

17 “(D) the Commissioner of Food and
18 Drugs;

19 “(E) the Director of the National Insti-
20 tutes of Health;

21 “(F) the Assistant Secretary of the Admin-
22 istration for Children and Families;

23 “(G) at least two health care professionals
24 with expertise in pediatric medical disaster
25 planning, preparedness, response, or recovery;

1 “(H) at least two representatives from
2 State, local, territories, or tribal agencies with
3 expertise in pediatric disaster planning, pre-
4 paredness, response, or recovery; and

5 “(I) representatives from such Federal
6 agencies (such as the Department of Education
7 and the Department of Homeland Security) as
8 determined necessary to fulfill the duties of the
9 Advisory Committee, as established under sub-
10 sections (b) and (c).

11 “(e) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Committee shall
12 meet not less than biannually.

13 “(f) SUNSET.—The Advisory Committee shall termi-
14 nate on the date that is 5 years after the date of enact-
15 ment of the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act
16 Reauthorization of 2011.”.