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# H. R. 286

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to health care providers to enhance the physical and cyber security of their facilities, personnel, and patients.

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# A BILL

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to health care providers to enhance the physical and cyber security of their facilities, personnel, and patients.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Health Care Providers  
5 Safety Act of 2023”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO EN-**  
7 **HANCE SECURITY.**

8       Part P of title III of the Public Health Service Act  
9 (42 U.S.C. 280g et seq.) (as amended by Public Law 117–  
10 328) is amended by adding at the end the following:

11 **“SEC. 399V-8. GRANTS TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO EN-**  
12 **HANCE SECURITY.**

13       “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award grants  
14 to health care providers to pay for security services and  
15 otherwise enhance the physical and cyber security of their  
16 facilities, personnel, and patients to ensure safe access.

17       “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—A health care provider receiv-  
18 ing a grant under this section may use the grant to pay  
19 the costs of necessary security services and enhancements  
20 to physical access and cyber security, including video sur-

- 1 veillance camera systems, data privacy enhancements, and
- 2 structural improvements.”.

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