

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4982

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for treatment of certain respiratory protective devices as covered countermeasures for purposes of targeted liability protections for pandemic and epidemic products and security countermeasures, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 5, 2019

Mr. BACON (for himself, Mr. LANGEVIN, and Mr. TONKO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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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 Workforce
5 Protection Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF RESPIRATORY PROTECTIVE DE-**
2 **VICES AS COVERED COUNTERMEASURES.**

3 Section 319F–3(i)(1) of the Public Health Service
4 Act (42 U.S.C. 247d–6d(i)(1)) is amended—

5 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “or” at
6 the end;

7 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period
8 at the end and inserting “; or”; and

9 (3) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(D) a respiratory protective device that is
11 approved under part 84 of title 42, Code of
12 Federal Regulations (or successor regula-
13 tions).”.

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