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To reauthorize and enhance Johanna's Law to increase public awareness and knowledge with respect to gynecologic cancers.

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Ms. Delauro (for herself, Mr. Issa, Mr. Levin, Mr. Burton of Indiana, Mr. LoBiondo, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Murphy of Connecticut, Mr. Berman, Mr. King of New York, Mr. Kind, Mr. Gene GREEN of Texas, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. Granger, Mr. Sires, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, Ms. NORTON, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Gordon of Tennessee, Mr. ROYCE, Ms. BORDALLO, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. OLVER, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Calvert, Mr. Smith of Washington, Mr. Wexler, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. Hastings of Florida, Ms. Kilpatrick of Michigan, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. McHugh, Mr. Capuano, Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Oberstar, Mr. Markey of Massachusetts, Ms. Harman, Mr. Radanovich, Mr. Meeks of New York, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. NADLER of New York, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Ortiz, Mr. Smith of New Jersey, Mrs. Lowey, Mr. Michaud, Mr. Reichert, Mr. Lewis of California, Mr. Delahunt, and Mr. Lynch) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

To reauthorize and enhance Johanna's Law to increase pub-

lic awareness and knowledge with respect to gynecologic cancers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-1 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, 3 SECTION 1. REAUTHORIZATION AND ENHANCEMENT OF 4 JOHANNA'S LAW. 5 (a) In General.—Section 317P(d) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247b–17(d)(4)) is amended— 7 8 (1) in paragraph (4), by inserting after "2009" 9 the following: "and \$18,000,000 for the period of 10 fiscal years 2012 through 2014"; and 11 (2) by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-12 graph (6). 13 (b) Consultation With Nonprofit Gynecologic CANCER ORGANIZATIONS.—Section 317P(d) of such Act 14 (42 U.S.C. 247b–17(d)), as amended by subsection (a), 15 is further amended by inserting after paragraph (3) the following: 17 "(4) 18 CONSULTATION WITH NONPROFIT 19 GYNECOLOGIC CANCER ORGANIZATIONS.—In car-20 rying out the national campaign under this sub-21 section, the Secretary shall consult with the leading 22 nonprofit gynecologic cancer organizations, with a

mission both to conquer ovarian or other gynecologic

cancer nationwide and to provide outreach to State

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1	and local governments and communities, for the pur-
2	pose of determining the best practices for providing
3	gynecologic cancer information and outreach services
4	to varied populations.".
5	SEC. 2. DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS REGARDING OUT-
6	REACH AND EDUCATION STRATEGIES RELAT-
7	ING TO GYNECOLOGIC CANCER.
8	(a) In General.—Section 317P(d) of the Public
9	Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247b–17(d)), as amended
10	by section 1, is further amended by inserting after para-
11	graph (4) the following:
12	"(5) Demonstration projects regarding
13	OUTREACH AND EDUCATION STRATEGIES.—
14	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may
15	carry out a program to award grants or con-
16	tracts to public or nonprofit private entities for
17	the purpose of carrying out demonstration
18	projects to test and compare different evidence-
19	based outreach and education strategies to in-
20	crease the awareness and knowledge of women
21	and health care providers with respect to
22	gynecologic cancers, including early warning
23	signs, risk factors, prevention, screening, and
24	treatment options. Such strategies shall include

1	efforts directed at women and their families,
2	physicians, nurses, and key health professionals.
3	"(B) Preferences in awarding grants
4	OR CONTRACTS.—In making awards under sub-
5	paragraph (A), the Secretary shall give pref-
6	erence to—
7	"(i) applicants with demonstrated ex-
8	pertise in gynecologic cancer education or
9	treatment or in working with groups of
10	women who are at increased risk of
11	gynecologic cancers; and
12	"(ii) applicants that, in the dem-
13	onstration project funded by the grant or
14	contract, will establish linkages between
15	physicians, nurses, and key health profes-
16	sionals, health profession students, hos-
17	pitals, payers, and State health depart-
18	ments.
19	"(C) APPLICATION.—To seek a grant or
20	contract under subparagraph (A), an entity
21	shall submit an application to the Secretary in
22	such form, in such manner, and containing such
23	agreements, assurances, and information as the
24	Secretary determines to be necessary to carry
25	out this paragraph.

1	"(D) CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.—In mak-
2	ing awards under subparagraph (A), the Sec-
3	retary shall—
4	"(i) make awards, as practicable, to
5	not fewer than five applicants; and
6	"(ii) ensure that information provided
7	through demonstration projects under this
8	paragraph is consistent with the best avail-
9	able medical information.
10	"(E) Report to congress.—Not later
11	than 12 months after the date of the enactment
12	of this paragraph, and annually thereafter, the
13	Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report
14	that—
15	"(i) summarizes the activities of dem-
16	onstration projects under subparagraph
17	(A);
18	"(ii) evaluates the extent to which the
19	projects were effective in increasing early
20	detection of gynecologic cancers and
21	awareness and knowledge of risk factors
22	and early warning signs in the populations
23	to which the projects were directed; and

1	"(iii) identifies barriers to early detec-
2	tion and appropriate treatment of such
3	cancers.".
4	(b) Conforming Amendment.—Section
5	317P(d)(3)(A) of the Public Health Service Act (42
6	U.S.C. 247b–17(d)(3)(A)) is amended by inserting
7	"(other than paragraph (5))" after "this section".