

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6300

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 19, 2020

Ms. BONAMICI (for herself and Mr. WRIGHT) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Advocating for Older
3 Americans During Coronavirus Crisis Act of 2020”.

4 **SEC. 2. ACCESS OF THE STATE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDS-**
5 **MAN TO RESIDENTS OF LONG-TERM CARE FA-**
6 **CILITIES DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC**
7 **HEALTH EMERGENCY IN FISCAL YEAR 2020.**

8 During any portion of the COVID-19 public health
9 emergency declared under section 319 of the Public
10 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d) that occurs in the
11 period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act
12 and ending on September 31, 2020, the State Long-Term
13 Care Ombudsman shall have continuing direct access (or
14 other access through the use of technology to the greatest
15 extent practicable) to residents of long-term care facilities
16 to provide the services described in section 712(a)(3)(B)
17 of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C.
18 3058h(a)(3)(B)).

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