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H. R. 6647

To amend title 5, United States Code, to lower health care costs for part-time Transportation Security Administration employees and allow Transportation Security Administration employees to change health care plans, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2020

Mr. CORREA (for himself, Ms. TITUS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COSTA, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. RICHMOND, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. LYNCH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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 Opportu-
5 nities for Transportation Security Administration Em-
6 ployees Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. HEALTH CARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR TSA EMPLOY-**
2 **EES.**

3 (a) **COVERAGE.**—Section 8905 of title 5, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(j) During a national emergency (including a pan-
7 demic such as that caused by COVID–19) and the 30-
8 day period following the end of such emergency, a Trans-
9 portation Security Administration employee—

10 “(1) if such employee is not enrolled in a health
11 benefits plan, dental benefits plan, or vision benefits
12 plan under this chapter, chapter 89A, or chapter
13 89B, respectively, may enroll in such a plan; and

14 “(2) if such employee is enrolled in any such
15 plan, may change such enrollment.”.

16 (b) **CONTRIBUTIONS.**—Section 8906(b) of such title
17 is amended by adding at the end the following:

18 “(5) In the case of an employee of the Trans-
19 portation Security Administration who is occupying
20 a position on a part-time career employment basis,
21 the biweekly Government contribution shall be equal
22 to that of an employee serving in a comparable posi-
23 tion on a full-time career basis (as determined under
24 regulations prescribed by the Office). In this para-

- 1 graph, the term ‘part-time career employment’ has
- 2 the meaning given that term in section 3401(2).”.

