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To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to require long term care facilities to report certain information relating to COVID-19 cases and deaths.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HORSFORD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ________________________

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Act of 2021”.

[116H6849]
SEC. 2. REQUIRING LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES TO REPORT CERTAIN INFORMATION RELATING TO COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services (in this section referred to as the “Secretary”) shall, as soon as practicable, require that the information described in paragraph (1) of section 483.80(g) of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, or a successor regulation, be reported by a facility (as defined for purposes of such section).

(b) DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION.—The Secretary shall post the following information with respect to skilled nursing facilities (as defined in section 1819(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395i–3(a))) and nursing facilities (as defined in section 1919(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r(a))) on the Nursing Home Compare website (as described in section 1819(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395i–3(i)), or a successor website, aggregated by State:

(1) The age, race/ethnicity, and preferred language of the residents of such skilled nursing facilities and nursing facilities with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 infections, including residents previously treated for COVID-19.

(2) The age, race/ethnicity, and preferred language relating to total deaths and COVID-19 deaths
among residents of such skilled nursing facilities and
nursing facilities.

(c) CONFIDENTIALITY.—Any information reported
under this section that is made available to the public shall
be made so available in a manner that protects the identity
of residents of skilled nursing facilities and nursing facili-
ties.

(d) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary may imple-
ment the provisions of this section be program instruction
or otherwise.