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H. R. 4273

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 4, 2004

Mr. YOUNG of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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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 “United States Military
3 Cancer Institute Act of 2004”.

4 **SEC. 2. UNITED STATES MILITARY CANCER INSTITUTE.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the
7 Uniformed Services University of the Health
8 Sciences (USUHS) the United States Military Can-
9 cer Institute.

10 (2) SCIENTISTS.—The staff of the Institute
11 shall include clinical and basic scientists in the De-
12 partment of Defense who have an expertise in re-
13 search, patient care, and education relating to oncol-
14 ogy and who meet applicable criteria for participa-
15 tion in the Institute.

16 (3) COMPONENTS.—The components of the In-
17 stitute shall include military treatment and research
18 facilities that meet applicable criteria and are des-
19 ignated as affiliates of the Institute.

20 (b) RESEARCH.—

21 (1) RESEARCH SUBJECTS.—The Institute shall
22 carry out research studies on the following subjects:

23 (A) The epidemiological features of cancer,
24 including assessments of both the carcinogenic
25 effect of genetic and environmental factors and

1 the disparities in health, inherent or common,
2 among populations of various ethnic origins.

3 (B) The prevention and early detection of
4 cancer.

5 (C) Basic, translational, and clinical inves-
6 tigation matters relating to the subjects de-
7 scribed in subparagraphs (A) and (B).

8 (2) COMPLEMENTARY RESEARCH ON ONCO-
9 LOGIC NURSING.—The research studies under para-
10 graph (1) shall include complementary research on
11 oncologic nursing.

12 (c) COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH.—The Institute shall
13 carry out the research studies under subsection (b) in col-
14 laboration with other cancer research organizations and
15 entities selected by the Institute for purposes of the re-
16 search studies.

17 (d) REPORTS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and an-
20 nually thereafter, the Director of the Institute shall
21 submit to the President of the USUHS a report on
22 the results of the research studies carried out under
23 subsection (b).

24 (2) TRANSMISSION OF REPORT.—Not later than
25 60 days after the receipt of a report under para-

1 graph (1), the President of the USUHS shall trans-
2 mit such report to Congress.

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