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Page 816, after line 10, add the following:

1	SEC. 20405. AMERICAN BIOPHARMACEUTICAL MANUFAC-
2	TURING WORKER TRAINING CENTERS OF EX-
3	CELLENCE.
4	(a) In General.—The Secretary of Health and
5	Human Services, acting through the Commissioner of
6	Food and Drugs, shall establish a competitive grant pro-
7	gram under which the Secretary will award not more than
8	20 grants to eligible institutions to establish centers of ex-
9	cellence with respect to recruitment and training of bio-
10	pharmaceutical manufacturing workers in the United
11	States, to be known as "American Biopharmaceutical
12	Manufacturing Worker Training Centers of Excellence"
13	(referred to in this section as "Centers of Excellence").
14	(b) Grants.—
15	(1) Amount.—The amount of a grant under
16	subsection (a) shall not exceed \$1,000,000 per year.
17	(2) Duration.—The term of a grant under
18	this section shall not exceed 5 years.

1	(3) APPLICATION.—An eligible institution seek-
2	ing a grant under this section shall submit to the
3	Secretary an application at such time and in such
4	manner as the Secretary may require that con-
5	tains—
6	(A) an outline of the institution's plans to
7	recruit and train workers who would be pro-
8	ficient in United States biopharmaceutical man-
9	ufacturing, including continuous manufac-
10	turing, vaccine manufacturing, and working as
11	sterile operators; and
12	(B) such other information as the Sec-
13	retary may require.
14	(c) Eligible Institution Defined.—In this sec-
15	tion, the term "eligible institution" means an institution
16	of higher education (as defined in section 101 of the High-
17	er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001), or an entity
18	that carries out an apprenticeship registered under the
19	Act of August 16, 1937 (commonly known as the "Na-
20	tional Apprenticeship Act"; 50 Stat. 664, chapter 663; 29
21	U.S.C. 50 et seq.), which has an established memorandum
22	of understanding with one or more biopharmaceutical
23	manufacturers.
24	(d) Technical Assistance.—The Secretary may
25	provide technical assistance to an eligible institution seek-

ing to establish a Center of Excellence, including technical assistance provided through an advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration. 3 4 (e) Report.—Not later than 2 years after the date on which the first grant is awarded under this section, 6 the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report that— 8 (1) assesses the effectiveness of the program es-9 tablished under this section; and 10 (2) makes recommendations with respect to ad-11 ditional measures that may be needed to support 12 worker training for biopharmaceutical manufac-13 turing jobs in the United States. 14 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.— 15 (1) In General.—There is authorized to be 16 appropriated to carry out this section \$100,000,000 17 for the period of fiscal years 2023 through 2027. 18 (2) Reservation of funds for histori-19 CALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AND 20 OTHER MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTIONS.—Of the 21 amounts made available under paragraph (1) for a 22 fiscal year, the Secretary shall reserve not less than 23 20 percent for grants to institutions that are institu-24 tions of higher education eligible to receive funds 4

- 1 under section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of
- 2 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)).

