Walker Model Congress 2015

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Committee: Space, Science and Technology** | **Principal Author: Yashna Nainani** |
| **Bill No:** | **Delegation: Maggie L. Walker Governor’s School** |
| **Title of Bill:**  **The Comprehensive Underwriting of Research Efforts (CURE) Act** | |

Be It Enacted By The Walker Model Congress

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **1**  **2**  **3**  **4**  **5**  **6**  **7**  **8**  **9**  **10**  **11**  **12**  **13**  **14**  **15**  **16**  **17**  **18**  **19**  **20**  **21**  **22**  **23**  **24**  **25**  **26**  **27**  **28**  **29**  **30**  **31**  **32**  **33**  **34**  **35** | Preamble: Whereas although human non-embryonic stem cell research is funded publicly by the National Institute of Health, whereas while they have numerous research grant programs, they currently do not have a program for scientists to study stem cells in further depth and explore the benefits, whereas stem cell research yields many benefits such as medical breakthroughs in replacing damaged cells and tissue, treating burn victims, and combating diseases and disabilities such as diabetes and Parkinson’s disease, whereas over 80 diseases including sickle cell disease, osteopetrosis, and multiple sclerosis have been successfully treated to date due to stem cell research, whereas pluripotent stem cells are cells that have potential to become any type of cell,  Section 1: Let the government fund a program for scientists to apply for a research grant  Subsection A: The research must be done using human non-embryonic stem cells.  Subsection B: Only research on the following topics shall be eligible for this grant:  Sub-Subsection 1: The production of non-fetal pluripotent stem cells  Sub-Subsection 2: The replacement of lost limbs  Sub-Subsection 3: Degenerative diseases  Section 2: Let the dissemination of funds to researchers be contingent upon all research being conducted with consent from all involved parties.  Section 3: Let this program be implemented through the National Institute of Health  Section 4: Let the funding be determined by the House Ways and Means committee.  Section 5: This bill shall go into effect 91 days after passage. |
|  |  |