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To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require the coverage of hospice care under medicaid plans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PANETTA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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. REQUIRING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF HOSPICE**

4 **CARE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(a)(10) of the Social
6 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “(18),”
8 after “(17),”, and

9 (2) in subparagraph (C)(iv), by inserting “and
10 (18)” after “(17)”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—(1) The amendments made
2 by this section apply (except as provided under paragraph
3 (2)) to payments under title XIX of the Social Security
4 Act for calendar quarters beginning on or after July 1,
5 1994, without regard to whether or not final regulations
6 to carry out such amendments have been promulgated by
7 such date.

8 (2) In the case of a State plan for medical assistance
9 under title XIX of the Social Security Act which the Sec-
10 retary of Health and Human Services determines requires
11 State legislation (other than legislation authorizing or ap-
12 propriating funds) in order for the plan to meet the addi-
13 tional requirements imposed by the amendments made by
14 this section, the State plan shall not be regarded as failing
15 to comply with the requirements of such title solely on the
16 basis of its failure to meet these additional requirements
17 before the first day of the first calendar quarter beginning
18 after the close of the first regular session of the State leg-
19 islature that begins after the date of the enactment of this
20 Act. For purposes of the previous sentence, in the case
21 of a State that has a 2-year legislative session, each year
22 of such session shall be deemed to be a separate regular
23 session of the State legislature.

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