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# S. 194

To repeal the Medicare and Medicaid Coverage Data Bank, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 11 (legislative day, JANUARY 10), 1995

Mr. McCAIN (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELMS, Mr. ROBB, Mr. McCONNELL, and Mr. COATS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## A BILL

To repeal the Medicare and Medicaid Coverage Data Bank,  
and for other purposes.

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. REPEAL OF MEDICARE AND MEDICAID COV-**  
4 **ERAGE DATA BANK.**

5 (a) REPEAL.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 13581 of the Omni-  
7 bus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 is hereby re-  
8 pealed.

1           (2) APPLICATION OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY  
2 ACT.—The Social Security Act shall be applied and  
3 administered as if section 13581 of the Omnibus  
4 Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (and the amend-  
5 ments made by such section) had not been enacted.

6           (b) STUDY AND REPORT.—

7           (1) STUDY.—The Secretary of Health and  
8 Human Services (hereafter in this subsection re-  
9 ferred to as the “Secretary”) shall conduct a study  
10 on how to achieve the objectives of the data bank de-  
11 scribed in section 1144 of the Social Security Act  
12 (as in effect on the day before the date of the enact-  
13 ment of this Act) in the most cost-effective manner,  
14 taking into account—

15           (A) the administrative burden of such data  
16 bank on private sector entities and govern-  
17 ments,

18           (B) the possible duplicative reporting re-  
19 quirements of the Health Care Financing Ad-  
20 ministration in effect on such date of enact-  
21 ment, and

22           (C) the legal ability of such entities and  
23 governments to acquire the required informa-  
24 tion.

1           (2) REPORT.—The Secretary shall report to the  
2           Congress on the results of the study described in  
3           paragraph (1) by not later than 180 days after the  
4           date of the enactment of this Act.

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