104TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION S.634

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide a financial incentive for States to reduce expenditures under the medicaid program, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 28 (legislative day, MARCH 27), 1995 Mr. D'AMATO (for himself and Mr. DOLE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

- To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide a financial incentive for States to reduce expenditures under the medicaid program, 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. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "State Medicaid Savings

5 Incentive Act of 1995".

6 SEC. 2. MEDICAID SAVINGS INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.

7 (a) INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.—Section 1903(a) of the
8 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (7), by striking the period and
 inserting "; plus"; and

3 (2) by adding at the end the following new4 paragraph:

5 ''(8) in the case of a State to which subsection (x)
6 applies, the amount of the incentive payment determined
7 under such subsection.''.

8 (b) INCENTIVE PAYMENT.—Section 1903 of the So9 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b) is amended by adding
10 at the end the following new subsection:

11 "(x)(1) For purposes of subsection (a)(8), if a State 12 achieves a rate of growth for a fiscal year which is less 13 than the State baseline rate of growth for such fiscal year 14 established under paragraph (3), the Secretary shall make 15 an incentive payment to the State for the fiscal year in 16 the amount determined under paragraph (2).

17 "(2) The amount of any incentive payment shall be equal to the amount that is 20 percent of the difference 18 between the amount that the Federal Government would 19 have paid to a State in a fiscal year for providing medical 20 assistance in accordance with this title, if State expendi-21 22 tures for providing such assistance had increased by the State baseline rate of growth established under paragraph 23 24 (3) for such fiscal year, and the amount that the Federal Government paid to such State in the fiscal year for pro-25

viding medical assistance in accordance with this title
 using the actual State rate of growth for State expendi tures for providing such assistance.

4 "(3) At the beginning of each fiscal year, the Sec5 retary shall determine for that fiscal year a baseline rate
6 of growth for medicaid expenditures for each State with
7 a State plan approved under this title based on—

8 "(A) the historical rate of growth for such ex-9 penditures in the State; and

10 "(B) such other factors as the Secretary deems11 appropriate.".

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