

105TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 4214

To amend part C of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to prohibit the use of “cold-call” marketing of Medicare+Choice plans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 1998

Mr. STARK (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. BERRY, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. FILNER, Mr. LAFALCE, Mr. FROST, and Mr. McDERMOTT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Medicare+Choice
5 Cold-Calling Prohibition Act of 1998”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF COLD-CALL MARKETING OF**
2 **MEDICARE+CHOICE PLANS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1851(h)(4) of the Social
4 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–21(h)(4)) is amended—

5 (1) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-
6 graph (A),

7 (2) by striking the period at the end of sub-
8 paragraph (B) and inserting “; and”, and

9 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
10 paragraph:

11 “(C) shall include a prohibition against, di-
12 rectly or indirectly, conducting door-to-door, tel-
13 ephonic, or other ‘cold-call’ marketing of enroll-
14 ment under this part.”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 subsection (a) shall apply to marketing of enrollment con-
17 ducted on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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