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H. R. 4967

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the classification of certain hospitals as cancer hospitals for purposes of payment for inpatient and outpatient hospital services under the Medicare Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DAVIS of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN CANCER HOSPITALS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1886(d)(1)(B)(v) of the
5 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(1)(B)(v)) is
6 amended—

7 (1) in subclause (I) by striking “or” at the end;

1 (2) in subclause (II) by striking the semicolon
2 at the end and inserting “, or”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(III) a hospital that was recognized as a clin-
5 ical cancer research center by the National Cancer
6 Institute of the National Institutes of Health as of
7 February 18, 1998, that has never been reimbursed
8 for inpatient hospital services pursuant to a reim-
9 bursement system under a demonstration project
10 under section 1814(b), that is a freestanding facility
11 organized primarily for treatment of and research on
12 cancer and is not a unit of another hospital, that as
13 of the date of the enactment of this subclause, is li-
14 censed for 162 acute care beds, and that dem-
15 onstrates for the 4-year period ending on June 30,
16 1999, that at least 50 percent of its total discharges
17 have a principal finding of neoplastic disease, as de-
18 fined in subparagraph (E);” and

19 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
20 1886(d)(1)(E) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
21 1395ww(d)(1)(E)) is amended by striking “For purposes
22 of subparagraph (B)(v)(II)” and inserting “For purposes
23 of subclauses (II) and (III) of subparagraph (B)(v)”.

24 (c) PAYMENT.—

1 (1) APPLICATION TO COST REPORTING PERI-
2 ODS.—Any classification by reason of section
3 1886(d)(1)(B)(v)(III) of the Social Security Act (as
4 added by subsection (a)) shall apply to 12-month
5 cost reporting periods beginning on or after July 1,
6 1999.

7 (2) BASE YEAR.—Notwithstanding the provi-
8 sions of section 1886(b)(3)(E) of such Act (42
9 U.S.C. 1395ww(b)(3)(E)) or other provisions to the
10 contrary, the base cost reporting period for purposes
11 of determining the target amount for any hospital
12 classified by reason of section 1886(d)(1)(B)(v)(III)
13 of such Act (as added by subsection (a)) shall be the
14 12-month cost reporting period beginning on July 1,
15 1995.

16 (3) DEADLINE FOR PAYMENTS.—Any payments
17 owed to a hospital by reason of this subsection shall
18 be made expeditiously, but in no event later than 1
19 year after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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