

106TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5288

To amend part C of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the minimum payment amount to Medicare+Choice organizations offering Medicare+Choice plans to correct inequities in amounts paid in rural and urban areas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2000

Mr. SHERWOOD (for himself, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, and Mr. MINGE) 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. INCREASING FLOOR TO 75 PERCENT OF MAX-**
2 **IMUM RATE.**

3 Section 1853(c)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (42
4 U.S.C. 1395w-23(c)(1)(B)) is amended—

5 (1) in clause (ii), by striking “For a succeeding
6 year,” and inserting “For 1999 and 2000,”; and

7 (2) by adding at the end the following new
8 clause:

9 “(iii) For 2001 and each succeeding
10 year, 75 percent of the largest annual
11 Medicare+Choice capitation rate under
12 this paragraph for any Medicare+Choice
13 payment area for the year involved (but
14 not to exceed, in the case of an area out-
15 side the 50 States and the District of Co-
16 lumbia, 150 percent of the annual per cap-
17 ita rate of payment for 1997 determined
18 under section 1876(a)(1)(C) for the
19 area).”.

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