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# H. R. 659

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 11, 2003

Mr. NEY (for himself, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. BAKER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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## 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 “Hospital Mortgage In-  
5       surance Act of 2003”.

6       **SEC. 2. STANDARDS FOR DETERMINING NEED AND FEASI-**  
7       **BILITY FOR HOSPITALS.**

8       Paragraph (4) of section 242(d) of the National  
9       Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–7) is amended to read as  
10      follows:

1       “(4)(A) The Secretary shall require satisfactory evi-  
2       dence that the hospital will be located in a State or polit-  
3       ical subdivision of a State with reasonable minimum  
4       standards of licensure and methods of operation for hos-  
5       pitals and satisfactory assurance that such standards will  
6       be applied and enforced with respect to the hospital.

7       “(B) The Secretary shall establish the means for de-  
8       termining need and feasibility for the hospital. If the State  
9       has an official procedure for determining need for hos-  
10      pitals, the Secretary shall also require that such procedure  
11      be followed before the application for insurance is sub-  
12      mitted, and the application shall document that need has  
13      also been established under that procedure.”.

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