

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1778

To extend medicare cost-sharing for qualifying individuals through September 2006, to extend the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program, transitional medical assistance under the Medicaid Program, and related programs through March 31, 2006, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 27, 2005

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 Cost-Sharing
5 and Welfare Extension Act of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF QI PROGRAM THROUGH SEP-**
2 **TEMBER 2006.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv) of the
4 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(E)(iv)) is
5 amended by striking “September 2005” and inserting
6 “September 2006”.

7 (b) TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR ALLOCATION.—
8 Section 1933(g)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396u–
9 3(g)(2)) is amended—

10 (1) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-
11 graph (B);

12 (2) by striking the period at the end of sub-
13 paragraph (C) and inserting “; and”; and

14 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
15 paragraphs:

16 “(D) for the period that begins on October
17 1, 2005, and ends on December 31, 2005, the
18 total allocation amount is \$100,000,000; and

19 “(E) for the period that begins on January
20 1, 2006, and ends on September 30, 2006, the
21 total allocation amount is \$300,000,000.”.

1 **SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR**
 2 **NEEDY FAMILIES BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM,**
 3 **TRANSITIONAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, AND**
 4 **RELATED PROGRAMS THROUGH MARCH 31,**
 5 **2006.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Activities authorized by part A of
 7 title IV of the Social Security Act, and by sections 510,
 8 1108(b), and 1925 of such Act, shall continue through
 9 March 31, 2006, in the manner authorized for fiscal year
 10 2005, notwithstanding section 1902(e)(1)(A) of such Act,
 11 and out of any money in the Treasury of the United States
 12 not otherwise appropriated, there are hereby appropriated
 13 such sums as may be necessary for such purpose. Grants
 14 and payments may be made pursuant to this authority
 15 through the second quarter of fiscal year 2006 at the level
 16 provided for such activities through the second quarter of
 17 fiscal year 2005.

18 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
 19 403(a)(3)(H)(ii) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 20 603(a)(3)(H)(ii)), as amended by section 2(b)(2)(A) of the
 21 TANF Emergency Response and Recovery Act of 2005
 22 (Public Law 109–68), is amended by striking “December
 23 31, 2005” and inserting “March 31, 2006”.

24 (c) EXTENSION OF THE NATIONAL RANDOM SAMPLE
 25 STUDY OF CHILD WELFARE AND CHILD WELFARE WAIV-
 26 ER AUTHORITY THROUGH MARCH 31, 2006.—Activities

1 authorized by sections 429A and 1130(a) of the Social Se-
2 curity Act shall continue through March 31, 2006, in the
3 manner authorized for fiscal year 2005, and out of any
4 money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise
5 appropriated, there are hereby appropriated such sums as
6 may be necessary for such purpose. Grants and payments
7 may be made pursuant to this authority through the sec-
8 ond quarter of fiscal year 2006 at the level provided for
9 such activities through the second quarter of fiscal year
10 2005.

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