

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5711

To amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a floor for payment for mammography under the Medicare Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 3, 2008

Mr. WEINER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 “Assure Access to Mam-

5 mography Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. MEDICARE PAYMENT FLOOR FOR MAMMOGRAPHY.**

2 Section 1848(b) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
3 1395w-4) is amended by adding at the end the following
4 new paragraph:

5 “(5) PAYMENT FLOOR FOR SCREENING AND DI-
6 AGNOSTIC MAMMOGRAPHY.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of mam-
8 mography, whether screening or diagnostic, per-
9 formed in a year beginning with 2009, the fee
10 schedule amount shall not be less than the
11 amount specified in subparagraph (B) for that
12 year. Such amount shall be subject to geo-
13 graphic area adjustment in the same manner as
14 for other physicians’ services under this section.

15 “(B) AMOUNT.—The amount specified in
16 this subparagraph—

17 “(i) for 2009 is 115 percent of the fee
18 schedule amount under this section with
19 respect to mammography for 2008, in-
20 creased by the percentage increase in the
21 MEI (as defined in section 1842(i)(3)) for
22 2008; and

23 “(ii) for a subsequent year is the
24 amount specified in this subparagraph for
25 the previous year increased by the percent-

1 age increase in the MEI (as so defined) for
2 such previous year.”.

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