

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 270

To continue the use of a 3-month quarter EHR reporting period for health care providers to demonstrate meaningful use for 2015 under the Medicare and Medicaid EHR incentive payment programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2015

Mrs. ELLMERS (for herself, Mr. KIND, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania) 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 “Flexibility in Health
5 IT Reporting (Flex-IT) Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONTINUING USE OF 3-MONTH QUARTER EHR RE-**
2 **PORTING PERIODS FOR PROFESSIONALS AND**
3 **HOSPITALS TO DEMONSTRATE MEANINGFUL**
4 **USE FOR 2015 UNDER THE MEDICARE AND**
5 **MEDICAID EHR INCENTIVE PAYMENT PRO-**
6 **GRAMS.**

7 In specifying the EHR reporting period under part
8 495 of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, for purposes
9 of titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, the
10 Secretary of Health and Human Services shall continue
11 through 2015 (in the case of eligible professionals) and
12 fiscal year 2015 (in the case of eligible hospitals and crit-
13 ical access hospitals) to permit the use of a 3-month quar-
14 ter EHR reporting period to demonstrate meaningful use
15 for purposes of such part, without regard to the payment
16 year or the stage of meaningful use criteria involved.

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