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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 “Prevent Interruptions
5 in Physical Therapy Act of 2015”.
SEC. 2. ALLOWING PHYSICAL THERAPISTS TO UTILIZE
LOCUM TENENS ARRANGEMENTS UNDER
MEDICARE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The first sentence of section
1842(b)(6) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
1395u(b)(6)) is amended—

(1) by striking “and” before “(H)”; and

(2) by inserting before the period at the end the
following: “, and (I) in the case of outpatient phys-
ical therapy services furnished by physical ther-
pists, subparagraph (D) of this sentence shall apply
to such services and therapists in the same manner
as such subparagraph applies to physicians’ services
furnished by physicians”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
subsection (a) shall apply to services furnished after the
date of the enactment of this Act.