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H. R. 4632

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to disseminate to part D subsidy eligible individuals information comparing the premiums under LIS benchmark plans for such individuals.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 11, 2019

Mr. KIND (for himself, Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, and Mr. BUTTERFIELD) 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 “Better Transparency
5 in Information for Medicare Beneficiaries Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. DISSEMINATION TO MEDICARE PART D SUBSIDY EL-**
2 **IGIBLE INDIVIDUALS OF INFORMATION COM-**
3 **PARING PREMIUMS OF CERTAIN PRESCRIP-**
4 **TION DRUG PLANS.**

5 Section 1860D–1(c)(3) of the Social Security Act (42
6 U.S.C. 1395w–101(c)(3)) is amended by adding at the end
7 the following new subparagraph:

8 “(C) INFORMATION ON PREMIUMS FOR
9 SUBSIDY ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—

10 “(i) IN GENERAL.—For plan year
11 2022 and each subsequent plan year, the
12 Secretary shall disseminate to each subsidy
13 eligible individual (as defined in section
14 1860D–14(a)(3)) information under this
15 paragraph comparing premiums that would
16 apply to such individual for prescription
17 drug coverage under LIS benchmark plans,
18 including, in the case of an individual en-
19 rolled in a prescription drug plan under
20 this part, information that compares the
21 premium that would apply if such indi-
22 vidual were to remain enrolled in such plan
23 to premiums that would apply if the indi-
24 vidual were to enroll in other LIS bench-
25 mark plans.

1 “(ii) LIS BENCHMARK PLAN.—For
2 purposes of clause (i), the term ‘LIS
3 benchmark plan’ means, with respect to an
4 individual, a prescription drug plan under
5 this part that is offered in the region in
6 which the individual resides and—

7 “(I) that provides for a premium
8 that is not more than the low-income
9 benchmark premium amount (as de-
10 fined in section 1860D–14(b)(2)) for
11 such region; or

12 “(II) with respect to which the
13 premium would be waived as de mini-
14 mis pursuant to section 1860D–
15 14(a)(5) for such individual.”.

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