

106TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5126

To amend titles XI and XIX of the Social Security Act to remove the cap on Medicaid payments for Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa and to adjust the Medicaid statutory matching rate for those territories.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 7, 2000

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN (for herself, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REMOVAL OF THE CAP ON MEDICAID PAY-**
 2 **MENTS FOR PUERTO RICO, THE VIRGIN IS-**
 3 **LANDS, GUAM, AND AMERICAN SAMOA AND**
 4 **ADJUSTMENT OF THE MEDICAID STATUTORY**
 5 **MATCHING RATE FOR THOSE TERRITORIES.**

6 (a) REMOVAL OF CAP.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1108 of the Social
 8 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1308) is amended by strik-
 9 ing subsections (f) and (g).

10 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—(A) Section
 11 1902(j) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(j)) is amend-
 12 ed by striking “the limitation in section 1108(f),”.

13 (B) Section 1905(u) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
 14 1396d(u)) is amended by striking paragraph (4).

15 (b) ADJUSTMENT OF FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSIST-
 16 ANCE PERCENTAGE (FMAP).—Section 1905(b)(2) of
 17 such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(b)(2)) is amended by striking
 18 “50 per centum” and inserting “for purposes of this title
 19 only 77 percent”.

20 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 21 this section shall take effect on October 1, 2000, and apply
 22 to expenditures made on or after such date.

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