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To amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to delay and reform the Medicare competitive acquisition program for purchase of durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. STARK (for himself, Mr. CAMP of Michigan, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. BOEHNER, Mr. DINGELL, and Mr. PALLONE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 “Medicare DMEPOS  
5 Competitive Acquisition Reform Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. DELAY IN AND REFORM OF MEDICARE DMEPOS**  
2 **COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION PROGRAM.**

3 (a) TEMPORARY DELAY AND REFORM.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1847(a)(1) of the  
5 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(a)(1)) is  
6 amended—

7 (A) in paragraph (1)—

8 (i) in subparagraph (B)(i), in the  
9 matter before subclause (I), by inserting  
10 “consistent with subparagraph (D)” after  
11 “in a manner”;

12 (ii) in subparagraph (B)(i)(II), by  
13 striking “80” and “in 2009” and inserting  
14 “an additional 70” and “in 2011”, respec-  
15 tively;

16 (iii) in subparagraph (B)(i)(III), by  
17 striking “after 2009” and inserting “after  
18 2011 (or, in the case of national mail order  
19 for items and services, after 2010)”; and

20 (iv) by adding at the end the following  
21 new subparagraphs:

22 “(D) CHANGES IN COMPETITIVE ACQUISI-  
23 TION PROGRAMS.—

24 “(i) ROUND 1 OF COMPETITIVE AC-  
25 QUISTION PROGRAM.—Notwithstanding  
26 subparagraph (B)(i)(I) and in imple-

1                   menting the first round of the competitive  
2                   acquisition programs under this section—

3                               “(I) the contracts awarded under  
4                               this section before the date of the en-  
5                               actment of this subparagraph are ter-  
6                               minated, no payment shall be made  
7                               under this title on or after the date of  
8                               the enactment of this subparagraph  
9                               based on such a contract, and, to the  
10                              extent that any damages may be ap-  
11                              plicable as a result of the termination  
12                              of such contracts, such damages shall  
13                              be payable from the Federal Supple-  
14                              mentary Medical Insurance Trust  
15                              Fund under section 1841;

16                             “(II) the Secretary shall conduct  
17                             the competition for such round in a  
18                             manner so that it occurs in 2009 with  
19                             respect to the same items and services  
20                             and the same areas, except as pro-  
21                             vided in subclauses (III) and (IV);

22                             “(III) the Secretary shall exclude  
23                             Puerto Rico so that such round of  
24                             competition covers 9, instead of 10, of

1 the largest metropolitan statistical  
2 areas; and

3 “(IV) there shall be excluded  
4 negative pressure wound therapy  
5 items and services.

6 Nothing in subclause (I) shall be construed  
7 to provide an independent cause of action  
8 or right to administrative or judicial review  
9 with regard to the termination provided  
10 under such subclause.

11 “(ii) ROUND 2 OF COMPETITIVE AC-  
12 QUISSION PROGRAM.—In implementing  
13 the second round of the competitive acqui-  
14 sition programs under this section de-  
15 scribed in subparagraph (B)(i)(II)—

16 “(I) the metropolitan statistical  
17 areas to be included shall be those  
18 metropolitan statistical areas selected  
19 by the Secretary for such round as of  
20 June 1, 2008; and

21 “(II) the Secretary may sub-  
22 divide metropolitan statistical areas  
23 with populations (based upon the  
24 most recent data from the Census Bu-  
25 reau) of at least 8,000,000 into sepa-

1 rate areas for competitive acquisition  
2 purposes.

3 “(iii) EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN AREAS  
4 IN SUBSEQUENT ROUNDS OF COMPETITIVE  
5 ACQUISITION PROGRAMS.—In imple-  
6 menting subsequent rounds of the competi-  
7 tive acquisition programs under this sec-  
8 tion, including under subparagraph  
9 (B)(i)(III), for competitions occurring be-  
10 fore 2015, the Secretary shall exempt from  
11 the competitive acquisition program (other  
12 than national mail order) the following:

13 “(I) Rural areas.

14 “(II) Metropolitan statistical  
15 areas not selected under round 1 or  
16 round 2 with a population of less than  
17 250,000.

18 “(III) Areas with a low popu-  
19 lation density within a metropolitan  
20 statistical area that is otherwise se-  
21 lected, as determined for purposes of  
22 paragraph (3)(A).

23 “(E) VERIFICATION BY OIG.—The Inspec-  
24 tor General of the Department of Health and  
25 Human Services shall, through post-award

1           audit, survey, or otherwise, assess the process  
2           used by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid  
3           Services to conduct competitive bidding and  
4           subsequent pricing determinations under this  
5           section that are the basis for pivotal bid  
6           amounts and single payment amounts for items  
7           and services in competitive bidding areas under  
8           rounds 1 and 2 of the competitive acquisition  
9           programs under this section and may continue  
10          to verify such calculations for subsequent  
11          rounds of such programs.

12                   “(F) SUPPLIER FEEDBACK ON MISSING FI-  
13                   NANCIAL DOCUMENTATION.—

14                           “(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a  
15                           bid where one or more covered documents  
16                           in connection with such bid have been sub-  
17                           mitted not later than the covered document  
18                           review date specified in clause (ii), the Sec-  
19                           retary—

20                                   “(I) shall provide, by not later  
21                                   than 45 days (in the case of the first  
22                                   round of the competitive acquisition  
23                                   programs as described in subpara-  
24                                   graph (B)(i)(I)) or 90 days (in the  
25                                   case of a subsequent round of such

1 programs) after the covered document  
2 review date, for notice to the bidder of  
3 all such documents that are missing  
4 as of the covered document review  
5 date; and

6 “(II) may not reject the bid on  
7 the basis that any covered document  
8 is missing or has not been submitted  
9 on a timely basis, if all such missing  
10 documents identified in the notice pro-  
11 vided to the bidder under subclause  
12 (I) are submitted to the Secretary not  
13 later than 10 business days after the  
14 date of such notice.

15 “(ii) COVERED DOCUMENT REVIEW  
16 DATE.—The covered document review date  
17 specified in this clause with respect to a  
18 competitive acquisition program is the  
19 later of—

20 “(I) the date that is 30 days be-  
21 fore the final date specified by the  
22 Secretary for submission of bids  
23 under such program; or

24 “(II) the date that is 30 days  
25 after the first date specified by the

1 Secretary for submission of bids  
2 under such program.

3 “(iii) LIMITATIONS OF PROCESS.—  
4 The process provided under this subpara-  
5 graph—

6 “(I) applies only to the timely  
7 submission of covered documents;

8 “(II) does not apply to any deter-  
9 mination as to the accuracy or com-  
10 pleteness of covered documents sub-  
11 mitted or whether such documents  
12 meet applicable requirements;

13 “(III) shall not prevent the Sec-  
14 retary from rejecting a bid based on  
15 any basis not described in clause  
16 (i)(II); and

17 “(IV) shall not be construed as  
18 permitting a bidder to change bidding  
19 amounts or to make other changes in  
20 a bid submission.

21 “(iv) COVERED DOCUMENT DE-  
22 FINED.—In this subparagraph, the term  
23 ‘covered document’ means a financial, tax,  
24 or other document required to be sub-  
25 mitted by a bidder as part of an original



1 bid submission under a competitive acqui-  
2 sition program in order to meet required  
3 financial standards. Such term does not in-  
4 clude other documents, such as the bid  
5 itself or accreditation documentation.”;  
6 and

7 (B) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting be-  
8 fore the period at the end the following: “and  
9 excluding certain complex rehabilitative power  
10 wheelchairs recognized by the Secretary as clas-  
11 sified within group 3 or higher (and related ac-  
12 cessories when furnished in connection with  
13 such wheelchairs)”.

14 (2) BUDGET NEUTRAL OFFSET.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 1834(a)(14) of  
16 such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(a)(14)) is amend-  
17 ed—

18 (i) by striking “and” at the end of  
19 subparagraphs (H) and (I);

20 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph (J)  
21 as subparagraph (M); and

22 (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
23 (I) the following new subparagraphs:

24 “(J) for 2009—

1           “(i) in the case of items and services  
2           furnished in any geographic area, if such  
3           items or services were selected for competi-  
4           tive acquisition in any area under the com-  
5           petitive acquisition program under section  
6           1847(a)(1)(B)(i)(I) before July 1, 2008,  
7           including diabetic supplies but only if fur-  
8           nished through mail order, - 9.5 percent;  
9           or

10           “(ii) in the case of other items and  
11           services, the percentage increase in the  
12           consumer price index for all urban con-  
13           sumers (U.S. urban average) for the 12-  
14           month period ending with June 2008;

15           “(K) for 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013, the  
16           percentage increase in the consumer price index  
17           for all urban consumers (U.S. urban average)  
18           for the 12-month period ending with June of  
19           the previous year;

20           “(L) for 2014—

21           “(i) in the case of items and services  
22           described in subparagraph (J)(i) for which  
23           a payment adjustment has not been made  
24           under subsection (a)(1)(F)(ii) in any pre-  
25           vious year, the percentage increase in the

1 consumer price index for all urban con-  
2 sumers (U.S. urban average) for the 12-  
3 month period ending with June 2013, plus  
4 2.0 percentage points; or

5 “(ii) in the case of other items and  
6 services, the percentage increase in the  
7 consumer price index for all urban con-  
8 sumers (U.S. urban average) for the 12-  
9 month period ending with June 2013;  
10 and”.

11 (B) CONFORMING TREATMENT FOR CER-  
12 TAIN ITEMS AND SERVICES.—The second sen-  
13 tence of section 1842(s)(1) of such Act (42  
14 U.S.C. 1395u(s)(1)) is amended by striking  
15 “except that” and all that follows and inserting  
16 the following: “except that for items and serv-  
17 ices described in paragraph (2)(D)—

18 “(A) for 2009 section 1834(a)(14)(J)(i) shall  
19 apply under this paragraph instead of the percent-  
20 age increase otherwise applicable; and

21 “(B) for 2014, if subparagraph (A) applied to  
22 the items and services and there has not been a pay-  
23 ment adjustment under subsection (h)(1)(H) for the  
24 items and services for any previous year, the per-  
25 centage increase computed under section

1 1834(a)(14)(L)(i) shall apply instead of the percent-  
2 age increase otherwise applicable.”.

3 (3) CONFORMING DELAY.—Subsections  
4 (a)(1)(F) and (h)(1)(H) of section 1834 of the So-  
5 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m) are each  
6 amended by striking “January 1, 2009” and insert-  
7 ing “January 1, 2011”.

8 (4) CONSIDERATIONS IN APPLICATION.—Sec-  
9 tion 1834 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m) is amend-  
10 ed—

11 (A) in subsection (a)(1)—

12 (i) in subparagraph (F), by inserting  
13 “subject to subparagraph (G),” before  
14 “that are included”; and

15 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
16 new subparagraph:

17 “(G) USE OF INFORMATION ON COMPETI-  
18 TIVE BID RATES.—The Secretary shall specify  
19 by regulation the methodology to be used in ap-  
20 plying the provisions of subparagraph (F)(ii)  
21 and subsection (h)(1)(H)(ii). In promulgating  
22 such regulation, the Secretary shall consider the  
23 costs of items and services in areas in which  
24 such provisions would be applied compared to

1 the payment rates for such items and services  
2 in competitive acquisition areas.”; and

3 (B) in subsection (h)(1)(H), by inserting  
4 “subject to subsection (a)(1)(G),” before “that  
5 are included”.

6 (b) QUALITY STANDARDS.—

7 (1) APPLICATION OF ACCREDITATION REQUIRE-  
8 MENT.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 1834(a)(20) of  
10 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
11 1395m(a)(20)) is amended—

12 (i) in subparagraph (E), by inserting  
13 “including subparagraph (F),” after  
14 “under this paragraph,”; and

15 (ii) by adding at the end the following  
16 new subparagraph:

17 “(F) APPLICATION OF ACCREDITATION RE-  
18 QUIREMENT.—In implementing quality stand-  
19 ards under this paragraph—

20 “(i) subject to clause (ii), the Sec-  
21 retary shall require suppliers furnishing  
22 items and services described in subpara-  
23 graph (D) on or after October 1, 2009, di-  
24 rectly or as a subcontractor for another en-  
25 tity, to have submitted to the Secretary

1 evidence of accreditation by an accredita-  
2 tion organization designated under sub-  
3 paragraph (B) as meeting applicable qual-  
4 ity standards; and

5 “(ii) in applying such standards and  
6 the accreditation requirement of clause (i)  
7 with respect to eligible professionals (as  
8 defined in section 1848(k)(3)(B)), and in-  
9 cluding such other persons, such as  
10 orthotists and prosthetists, as specified by  
11 the Secretary, furnishing such items and  
12 services—

13 “(I) such standards and accredi-  
14 tation requirement shall not apply to  
15 such professionals and persons unless  
16 the Secretary determines that the  
17 standards being applied are designed  
18 specifically to be applied to such pro-  
19 fessionals and persons; and

20 “(II) the Secretary may exempt  
21 such professionals and persons from  
22 such standards and requirement if the  
23 Secretary determines that licensing,  
24 accreditation, or other mandatory  
25 quality requirements apply to such

1 professionals and persons with respect  
2 to the furnishing of such items and  
3 services.”.

4 (B) CONSTRUCTION.—Section  
5 1834(a)(20)(F)(ii) of the Social Security Act,  
6 as added by subparagraph (A), shall not be con-  
7 strued as preventing the Secretary of Health  
8 and Human Services from implementing the  
9 first round of competition under section 1847  
10 of such Act on a timely basis.

11 (2) DISCLOSURE OF SUBCONTRACTORS UNDER  
12 COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION PROGRAM.—Section  
13 1847(b)(3) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(b)(3))  
14 is amended by adding at the end the following new  
15 subparagraph:

16 “(C) DISCLOSURE OF SUBCONTRAC-  
17 TORS.—

18 “(i) INITIAL DISCLOSURE.—Not later  
19 than 10 days after the date a supplier en-  
20 ters into a contract with the Secretary  
21 under this section, such supplier shall dis-  
22 close to the Secretary, in a form and man-  
23 ner specified by the Secretary, the infor-  
24 mation on—

1                   “(I) each subcontracting relation-  
2                   ship that such supplier has in fur-  
3                   nishing items and services under the  
4                   contract; and

5                   “(II) whether each such subcon-  
6                   tractor meets the requirement of sec-  
7                   tion 1834(a)(20)(F)(i), if applicable  
8                   to such subcontractor.

9                   “(ii) SUBSEQUENT DISCLOSURE.—Not  
10                  later than 10 days after such a supplier  
11                  subsequently enters into a subcontracting  
12                  relationship described in clause (i)(II),  
13                  such supplier shall disclose to the Sec-  
14                  retary, in such form and manner, the in-  
15                  formation described in subclauses (I) and  
16                  (II) of clause (i).”.

17                  (3) COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION OMBUDSMAN.—  
18                  Such section is further amended by adding at the  
19                  end the following new subsection:

20                  “(f) COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION OMBUDSMAN.—The  
21                  Secretary shall provide for a competitive acquisition om-  
22                  budsman within the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid  
23                  Services in order to respond to complaints and inquiries  
24                  made by suppliers and individuals relating to the applica-  
25                  tion of the competitive acquisition program under this sec-



1 tion. The ombudsman may be within the office of the  
2 Medicare Beneficiary Ombudsman appointed under sec-  
3 tion 1808(c). The ombudsman shall submit to Congress  
4 an annual report on the activities under this subsection,  
5 which report shall be coordinated with the report provided  
6 under section 1808(c)(2)(C).”.

7 (c) CHANGE IN REPORTS AND DEADLINES.—

8 (1) GAO REPORT.—Section 302(b)(3) of the  
9 Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and  
10 Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-173) is  
11 amended—

12 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

13 (i) by inserting “and as amended by  
14 section 2 of the Medicare DMEPOS Com-  
15 petitive Acquisition Reform Act of 2008”  
16 after “as amended by paragraph (1)”;

17 (ii) by inserting before the period at  
18 the end the following: “and the topics spec-  
19 ified in subparagraph (C)”;

20 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “Not  
21 later than January 1, 2009,” and inserting  
22 “Not later than 1 year after the first date that  
23 payments are made under section 1847 of the  
24 Social Security Act,”; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
2 subparagraph:

3 “(C) TOPICS.—The topics specified in this  
4 subparagraph, for the study under subpara-  
5 graph (A) concerning the competitive acquisi-  
6 tion program, are the following:

7 “(i) Beneficiary access to items and  
8 services under the program, including the  
9 impact on such access of awarding con-  
10 tracts to bidders that—

11 “(I) did not have a physical pres-  
12 ence in an area where they received a  
13 contract; or

14 “(II) had no previous experience  
15 providing the product category they  
16 were contracted to provide.

17 “(ii) Beneficiary satisfaction with the  
18 program and cost savings to beneficiaries  
19 under the program.

20 “(iii) Costs to suppliers of partici-  
21 pating in the program and recommenda-  
22 tions about ways to reduce those costs  
23 without compromising quality standards or  
24 savings to the Medicare program.

1                   “(iv) Impact of the program on small  
2 business suppliers.

3                   “(v) Analysis of the impact on utiliza-  
4 tion of different items and services paid  
5 within the same Healthcare Common Pro-  
6 cedure Coding System (HCPCS) code.

7                   “(vi) Costs to the Centers for Medi-  
8 care & Medicaid Services, including pay-  
9 ments made to contractors, for admin-  
10 istering the program compared with ad-  
11 ministration of a fee schedule, in compari-  
12 son with the relative savings of the pro-  
13 gram.

14                   “(vii) Impact on access, Medicare  
15 spending, and beneficiary spending of any  
16 difference in treatment for diabetic testing  
17 supplies depending on how such supplies  
18 are furnished.

19                   “(viii) Such other topics as the Comp-  
20 troller General determines to be appro-  
21 priate.”.

22 (2) DELAY IN OTHER DEADLINES.—

23 (A) PROGRAM ADVISORY AND OVERSIGHT  
24 COMMITTEE.—Section 1847(c)(5) of the Social  
25 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(c)(5)) is

1           amended by striking “December 31, 2009” and  
2           inserting “December 31, 2011”.

3           (B) SECRETARIAL REPORT.—Section  
4           1847(d) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(d)) is  
5           amended by striking “July 1, 2009” and insert-  
6           ing “July 1, 2011”.

7           (C) IG REPORT.—Section 302(e) of the  
8           Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and  
9           Modernization Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-  
10          173) is amended by striking “July 1, 2009”  
11          and inserting “July 1, 2011”.

12          (3) EVALUATION OF CERTAIN CODE.—The Sec-  
13          retary of Health and Human Services shall evaluate  
14          the existing Healthcare Common Procedure Coding  
15          System (HCPCS) code for negative pressure wound  
16          therapy to ensure accurate reporting and billing for  
17          items and services under such code. In carrying out  
18          such evaluation, the Secretary shall use existing  
19          process for the consideration of coding changes and  
20          consider all relevant studies and information fur-  
21          nished pursuant to such process.

22          (d) OTHER PROVISIONS.—

23                 (1) EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE ACQUI-  
24                 SION FOR CERTAIN OFF-THE-SHELF ORTHOTICS.—  
25                 Section 1847(a) of the Social Security Act (42

1 U.S.C. 1395w-3(a) is amended by adding at the  
2 end the following new paragraph:

3 “(7) EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION.—The programs under this section shall not  
4 apply to the following:  
5

6 “(A) CERTAIN OFF-THE-SHELF  
7 ORTHOTICS.—Items and services described in  
8 paragraph (2)(C) if furnished—

9 “(i) by a physician or other practi-  
10 tioner (as defined by the Secretary) to the  
11 physician’s or practitioner’s own patients  
12 as part of the physician’s or practitioner’s  
13 professional service; or

14 “(ii) by a hospital to the hospital’s  
15 own patients during an admission or on  
16 the date of discharge.

17 “(B) CERTAIN DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIP-  
18 MENT.—Those items and services described in  
19 paragraph (2)(A)—

20 “(i) that are furnished by a hospital  
21 to the hospital’s own patients during an  
22 admission or on the date of discharge; and

23 “(ii) to which such programs would  
24 not apply, as specified by the Secretary, if  
25 furnished by a physician to the physician’s

1           own patients as part of the physician’s  
2           professional service.”.

3           (2) CORRECTION IN FACE-TO-FACE EXAMINA-  
4           TION REQUIREMENT.—Section 1834(a)(1)(E)(ii) of  
5           such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(a)(1)(E)(ii)) is amended  
6           by striking “1861(r)(1)” and inserting “1861(r)”.

7           (3) SPECIAL RULE IN CASE OF NATIONAL MAIL-  
8           ORDER COMPETITION FOR DIABETIC TESTING  
9           STRIPS.—Section 1847(b) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
10          1395w-3(b)) is amended—

11           (A) by redesignating paragraph (10) as  
12          paragraph (11); and

13           (B) by inserting after paragraph (9) the  
14          following new paragraph:

15          “(10) SPECIAL RULE IN CASE OF COMPETITION  
16          FOR DIABETIC TESTING STRIPS.—

17           “(A) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the  
18          competitive acquisition program for diabetic  
19          testing strips conducted after the first round of  
20          the competitive acquisition programs, if an enti-  
21          ty does not demonstrate to the Secretary that  
22          its bid covers types of diabetic testing strip  
23          products that, in the aggregate and taking into  
24          account volume for the different products, cover  
25          50 percent (or such higher percentage as the

1 Secretary may specify) of all such types of  
2 products, the Secretary shall reject such bid.  
3 The volume for such types of products may be  
4 determined in accordance with such data (which  
5 may be market based data) as the Secretary  
6 recognizes.

7 “(B) STUDY OF TYPES OF TESTING STRIP  
8 PRODUCTS.—Before 2011, the Inspector Gen-  
9 eral of the Department of Health and Human  
10 Services shall conduct a study to determine the  
11 types of diabetic testing strip products by vol-  
12 ume that could be used to make determinations  
13 pursuant to subparagraph (A) for the first com-  
14 petition under the competitive acquisition pro-  
15 gram described in such subparagraph and sub-  
16 mit to the Secretary a report on the results of  
17 the study. The Inspector General shall also con-  
18 duct such a study and submit such a report be-  
19 fore the Secretary conducts a subsequent com-  
20 petitive acquisition program described in sub-  
21 paragraph (A).”.

22 (4) OTHER CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Sec-  
23 tion 1847(b)(11) of such Act, as redesignated by  
24 paragraph (3), is amended—

1 (A) in subparagraph (C), by inserting “and  
2 the identification of areas under subsection  
3 (a)(1)(D)(iii)” after “(a)(1)(A)”;

4 (B) in subparagraph (D), by inserting  
5 “and implementation of subsection (a)(1)(D)”  
6 after “(a)(1)(B)”;

7 (C) in subparagraph (E), by striking “or”  
8 at the end;

9 (D) in subparagraph (F), by striking the  
10 period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

11 (E) by adding at the end the following new  
12 subparagraph:

13 “(G) the implementation of the special rule  
14 described in paragraph (10).”.

15 (5) FUNDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION.—In addi-  
16 tion to funds otherwise available, for purposes of im-  
17 plementing the provisions of, and amendments made  
18 by, this section, other than the amendment made by  
19 subsection (c)(1) and other than section  
20 1847(a)(1)(E) of the Social Security Act, the Sec-  
21 retary of Health and Human Services shall provide  
22 for the transfer from the Federal Supplementary  
23 Medical Insurance Trust Fund established under  
24 section 1841 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
25 1395t) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Serv-



1        ices Program Management Account of \$20,000,000  
2        for fiscal year 2008, and \$25,000,000 for each of  
3        fiscal years 2009 through 2012. Amounts trans-  
4        ferred under this paragraph for a fiscal year shall be  
5        available until expended.

6        (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
7        this section shall take effect as of June 30, 2008.