

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE  
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 8427  
OFFERED BY M . \_\_\_\_\_**

Page 57, after line 3, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 1108. PE GPCI ADJUSTMENT FOR 2010.**

2       Effective as if included in the enactment of the Pa-  
3 tient Protection and Affordable Care Act, section  
4 1848(e)(1)(H)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
5 1395w-4(e)(1)(H)(i)), as added by section 3102(b)(2) of  
6 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, is amend-  
7 ed by striking “ $\frac{3}{4}$ ” and inserting “ $\frac{1}{2}$ ”.

8 **SEC. 1109. PAYMENT FOR QUALIFYING HOSPITALS.**

9       (a) **IN GENERAL.**—From the amount available under  
10 subsection (b), the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-  
11 ices shall provide for a payment to qualifying hospitals (as  
12 defined in subsection (d)) for fiscal years 2011 and 2012  
13 of the amount determined under subsection (c).

14       (b) **AMOUNTS AVAILABLE.**—There shall be available  
15 from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund  
16 \$400,000,000 for payments under this section for fiscal  
17 years 2011 and 2012.

18       (c) **PAYMENT AMOUNT.**—The amount of payment

1 mined, in a manner consistent with the amount available  
2 under subsection (b), in proportion to the portion of the  
3 amount of the aggregate payments under section 1886(d)  
4 of the Social Security Act to the hospital for fiscal year  
5 2009 bears to the sum of all such payments to all quali-  
6 fying hospitals for such fiscal year.

7 (d) QUALIFYING HOSPITAL DEFINED.—In this sec-  
8 tion, the term “qualifying hospital” means a subsection  
9 (d) hospital (as defined for purposes of section 1886(d)  
10 of the Social Security Act) that is located in a county that  
11 ranks, based upon its ranking in age, sex, and race ad-  
12 justed spending for benefits under parts A and B under  
13 title XVIII of such Act per enrollee, within the lowest  
14 quartile of such counties in the United States.

