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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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Savings, Accountability, Value, and Efficiency III Act of
- 6 2014".
- 7 (b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for
- 8 this Act is as follows:
  - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
  - Sec. 2. Software license management.

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- 2 Sec. 3. United States Postal Service Fleet Efficiency. Sec. 4. Government Computer Energy Optimization. Sec. 5. Removal of benefits for Federal employee convicted of certain offenses. Sec. 6. Codification of Office of Management and Budget criteria. Sec. 7. Increase Energy Efficiency of Federal Buildings. Sec. 8. Reduce redundant health payments for seniors. Sec. 9. Efficient Medicare billing. SEC. 2. SOFTWARE LICENSE MANAGEMENT. (a) Software License Policies Required.—Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall issue software licensing policies for agencies to follow that include the following: (1) An identification of clear roles, responsibilities, and central oversight authority within each agency for managing enterprise software license agreements. (2) A requirement that each agency establish an accurate inventory of enterprise software license agreements by identifying and collecting information about software license agreements using automated discovery and inventory tools. (3) A requirement that each agency regularly track and maintain software licenses to assist the agency in implementing decisions throughout the software license management life cycle.
- 20 (4) A requirement that each agency analyze 21 software usage and other data to make cost-effective 22 decisions.

1	(5) A requirement that each agency provide
2	training relevant to software license management.
3	(6) A requirement that each agency establish
4	goals and objectives to better manage enterprise
5	software license agreements.
6	(7) A requirement that each agency consider
7	the software license management life-cycle phases
8	(including requisition, reception, deployment and
9	maintenance, retirement, and disposal phases) to im-
10	plement effective decision-making and incorporate
11	existing standards, processes, and metrics.
12	(b) Agency Defined.—In this section, the term
13	"agency" has the meaning given that term in section 551
13	agency has the meaning given that term in section 991
14	of title 5, United States Code.
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1	(b) Authority to Enter Into Energy Savings
2	Performance Contracts.—Section 804(4) of the Na-
3	tional Energy Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C.
4	8287c(4)) is amended—
5	(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking "or" after
6	the semicolon;
7	(2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period
8	at the end and inserting "; or"; and
9	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
10	paragraph:
11	"(C) in the case of a contract in which the
12	United States Postal Service is a party—
13	"(i) the purchase or lease of low emis-
14	sion and fuel efficient vehicles;
15	"(ii) a measure to upgrade a vehicle
16	owned, operated, leased, or otherwise con-
17	trolled by or assigned to the United States
18	Postal Service to increase average fuel
19	economy and reduce the emissions of car-
20	bon dioxide of such vehicle; or
21	"(iii) the construction of infrastruc-
22	ture, including electric vehicle charging
23	stations, to support vehicles described in
24	clauses (i) and (ii).".
25	(c) Upgrade of Postal Fleet.—

1	(1) Postal fleet requirements.—
2	(A) MOTOR VEHICLE STANDARDS.—The
3	Postmaster General shall develop guidelines for
4	contracted vehicles and vehicles purchased or
5	leased for use by the Postal Service, that, at a
6	minimum, provide—
7	(i) for light-duty vehicles—
8	(I) that emissions of carbon diox-
9	ide comply with applicable standards
10	developed by the Environmental Pro-
11	tection Agency under title II of the
12	Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7521 et
13	seq.) and may not exceed, on average,
14	250 grams per mile; and
15	(II) to meet applicable average
16	fuel economy standards developed by
17	the National Highway Traffic Safety
18	Administration under chapter 329 of
19	title 49, United States Code, of 34.1
20	miles per gallon; and
21	(ii) for medium-duty and heavy-duty
22	vehicles, that comply with applicable stand-
23	ards—
24	(I) for emissions of carbon diox-
25	ide developed by the Environmental

1	Protection Agency under title II of
2	the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7521 et
3	seq.); and
4	(II) for average fuel economy de-
5	veloped by the National Highway
6	Traffic Safety Administration under
7	chapter 329 of title 49, United States
8	Code.
9	(B) Applicability.—The standards de-
10	scribed in subparagraph (A) shall apply to con-
11	tracted vehicles and vehicles purchased or
12	leased for use by the Postal Service after the
13	date that is 1 year after the date of the enact-
14	ment of this Act.
15	(C) REDUCTION IN CONSUMPTION OF PE-
16	TROLEUM PRODUCTS.—The Postmaster General
17	shall reduce the total consumption of petroleum
18	products by vehicles in the Postal fleet by a
19	minimum of 2 percent annually through the end
20	of fiscal year 2025, relative to the baseline es-
21	tablished for fiscal year 2005.
22	(2) Replacing vehicles within the postal
23	FLEET.—The Postmaster General shall conduct a
24	cost-benefit analysis of vehicles in the Postal fleet to
25	determine if the cost to maintain any such vehicle

1	outweighs the benefit or savings of replacing the ve-
2	hicle.
3	(3) Route requirements.—To inform and
4	prioritize purchases, the Postmaster General shall
5	review and identify Postal delivery routes to deter-
6	mine if motor vehicles used on such routes can be
7	replaced with technologies that increase average fuel
8	economy or reduce emissions of carbon dioxide.
9	(4) Reporting requirements.—The Post-
10	master General shall submit a report to Congress—
11	(A) not later than 1 year after the date of
12	the enactment of this Act, that contains a plan
13	to achieve the requirements of paragraph (1)
14	and recommendations for vehicle body design
15	specifications for vehicles purchased for the
16	Postal fleet that would increase average fuel
17	economy and reduce emissions of carbon dioxide
18	of any such vehicle; and
19	(B) annually, that describes—
20	(i) the progress in meeting the annual
21	target described in paragraph (1)(C); and
22	(ii) any changes to Postal delivery
23	routes or vehicle purchase strategies made
24	pursuant to paragraph (3).

1	(5) Restrictions.—To meet the requirements
2	of this section, the Postmaster General may not—
3	(A) reduce the frequency of delivery of
4	mail to fewer than 6 days each week;
5	(B) close post offices or postal distribution
6	facilities;
7	(C) take any action that would restrict or
8	diminish a collective bargaining agreement or
9	eliminate or reduce any employee benefits; or
10	(D) enter into a contract with a private
11	company to perform duties that, as of the date
12	of the enactment of this Act, are performed by
13	bargaining unit employees.
14	(d) Definitions.—In this section:
15	(1) Contracted vehicle.—The term "con-
16	tracted vehicle"—
17	(A) means any motor vehicle used in car-
18	rying out a contract for surface mail delivery
19	pursuant to section 5005(a)(3) of title 39,
20	United States Code; and
21	(B) does not include any motor vehicle
22	used in carrying out a contract for surface mail
23	delivery pursuant to sections 406 and 407 of
24	such title.

1	(2) Motor vehicle.—The term "motor vehi-
2	cle" means any self-propelled vehicle designed for
3	transporting persons or property on a street or high-
4	way.
5	(3) Postal delivery route.—The term
6	"Postal delivery route" means the transportation
7	route for surface mail delivery.
8	(4) Postal fleet.—The term "Postal fleet"
9	means any vehicle that is owned, operated, leased, or
10	otherwise controlled by or assigned to the Postal
11	Service.
12	(5) Postal Service.—The term "Postal Serv-
13	ice" means the United States Postal Service.
14	SEC. 4. GOVERNMENT COMPUTER ENERGY OPTIMIZATION.
15	(a) Agency Requirement to Shut Down Com-
16	PUTERS.—Except as provided in subsection (b), not later
17	than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act,
18	the head of each agency shall make all reasonable efforts
19	to ensure that desktop computers are shut down for at
20	least 4 hours out of every 24-hour time period.
21	(b) Exception.—The requirement in subsection (a)
22	shall not apply to—
23	(1) desktop computers that are used by a per-
24	son for 16 or more hours per day; and

1	(2) computers that perform automated func-
2	tions essential to the agency for 16 or more hours
3	per day.
4	(c) Agency Defined.—In this section, the term
5	"agency" has the meaning given that term in section 551
6	of title 5, United States Code.
7	SEC. 5. REMOVAL OF BENEFITS FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEE
8	CONVICTED OF CERTAIN OFFENSES.
9	(a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
10	sion of law, an individual may not be paid an annuity
11	under chapter 83 or 84 (as the case may be) of title 5,
12	United States Code, if the individual is convicted of an
13	offense described under section 8332(o)(2)(B) of such
14	title, committed after the date of enactment of this Act,
15	for which every act or omission of the individual that is
16	needed to satisfy the elements of the offense directly re-
17	lates to the performance of the individual's official duties.
18	(b) Credit of Service.—Any such individual shall
19	be entitled to be paid any amounts contributed by the indi-
20	vidual towards the annuity during the period of service
21	covered by subsection (a), pursuant to, or in a similar
22	manner as, the terms of section 8316 of such title.
23	(c) Thrift Savings Plan.—
24	(1) Employing agency contributions.—Any
25	contributions made under section 8432 of such title

1	by an employing agency for the benefit of an indi-
2	vidual convicted of an offense described in sub-
3	section (a) shall be forfeited. Such contributions
4	shall be returned to the general fund of the Treas-
5	ury.
6	(2) Employee contributions.—Any con-
7	tributions made by the individual pursuant to sec-
8	tion 8432 of such title shall be payable to the indi-
9	vidual, upon application of such individual.
10	(3) Computation.—The computation of
11	amounts required by paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be
12	made on the date of the conviction of the individual
13	and shall consist of the value of the contributions,
14	including interest accrued, on such date.
15	(d) REGULATIONS.—The Director of the Office of
16	Personnel Management shall prescribe any regulations
17	necessary to carry out this section.
18	SEC. 6. CODIFICATION OF OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND
19	BUDGET CRITERIA.
20	The Secretary of Defense shall implement the fol-
21	lowing criteria in requests for overseas contingency oper-
22	ations:
23	(1) For theater of operations for non-classified
24	war overseas contingency operations funding, the ge-
25	ographic areas in which combat or direct combat

1	support operations occur are: Iraq, Afghanistan,
2	Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, the
3	Horn of Africa, Persian Gulf and Gulf nations, Ara-
4	bian Sea, the Indian Ocean, the Philippines, and
5	other countries on a case-by-case basis.
6	(2) Permitted Inclusions in the Overseas Con-
7	tingency Operation Budget:
8	(A) Major Equipment:
9	(i) Replacement of loses that have oc-
10	curred but only for items not already pro-
11	grammed for replacement in the Future
12	Years Defense Plan (FYDP), but not in-
13	cluding accelerations, which must be made
14	in the base budget.
15	(ii) Replacement or repair to original
16	capability (to upgraded capability if that is
17	currently available) of equipment returning
18	from theater. The replacement may be a
19	similar end item if the original item is no
20	longer in production. Incremental cost of
21	non-war related upgrades, if made, should
22	be included in the base.
23	(iii) Purchase of specialized, theater-
24	specific equipment.

1	(iv) Funding for major equipment
2	must be obligated within 12 months.
3	(B) Ground Equipment Replacement:
4	(i) For combat losses and returning
5	equipment that is not economical to repair,
6	the replacement of equipment may be given
7	to coalition partners, if consistent with ap-
8	proved policy.
9	(ii) In-theater stocks above customary
10	equipping levels on a case-by-case basis.
11	(C) Equipment Modifications:
12	(i) Operationally-required modifica-
13	tions to equipment used in theater or in di-
14	rect support of combat operations and that
15	is not already programmed in FYDP.
16	(ii) Funding for equipment modifica-
17	tions must be able be obligated in 12
18	months.
19	(D) Munitions:
20	(i) Replenishment of munitions ex-
21	pended in combat operations in theater.
22	(ii) Training ammunition for theater-
23	unique training events.
24	(iii) While forecasted expenditures are
25	not permitted, a case-by-case assessment

1	for munitions where existing stocks are in-
2	sufficient to sustain theater combat oper-
3	ations.
4	(E) Aircraft Replacement:
5	(i) Combat losses by accident that
6	occur in the theater of operations.
7	(ii) Combat losses by enemy action
8	that occur in the theater of operations.
9	(F) Military Construction:
10	(i) Facilities and infrastructure in the
11	theater of operations in direct support of
12	combat operations. The level of construc-
13	tion should be the minimum to meet oper-
14	ational requirements.
15	(ii) At non-enduring locations, facili-
16	ties and infrastructure for temporary use.
17	(iii) At enduring locations, facilities
18	and infrastructure for temporary use.
19	(iv) At enduring locations, construc-
20	tion requirements must be tied to surge
21	operations or major changes in operational
22	requirements and will be considered on a
23	case-by-case basis.

1	(G) Research and development projects for
2	combat operations in these specific theaters
3	that can be delivered in 12 months.
4	(H) Operations:
5	(i) Direct War costs:
6	(I) Transport of personnel,
7	equipment, and supplies to, from and
8	within the theater of operations.
9	(II) Deployment-specific training
10	and preparation for unites and per-
11	sonnel (military and civilian) to as-
12	sume their directed missions as de-
13	fined in the orders for deployment
14	into the theater of operations.
15	(ii) Within the theater, the incre-
16	mental costs above the funding pro-
17	grammed in the base budget to:
18	(I) Support commanders in the
19	conduct of their directed missions (to
20	include Emergency Response Pro-
21	grams).
22	(II) Build and maintain tem-
23	porary facilities.
24	(III) Provide food, fuel, supplies,
25	contracted services and other support.

1	(IV) Cover the operational costs
2	of coalition partners supporting US
3	military missions, as mutually agreed.
4	(iii) Indirect war costs incurred out-
5	side the theater of operations will be evalu-
6	ated on a case-by-case basis.
7	(I) Health
8	(i) Short-term care directly related to
9	combat.
10	(ii) Infrastructure that is only to be
11	used during the current conflict.
12	(J) Personnel:
13	(i) Incremental special pays and al-
14	lowances for Service members and civilians
15	deployed to a combat zone.
16	(ii) Incremental pay, special pays and
17	allowances for Reserve Component per-
18	sonnel mobilized to support war missions.
19	(K) Special Operations Command:
20	(i) Operations that meet the criteria
21	in this guidance.
22	(ii) Equipment that meets the criteria
23	in this guidance.
24	(L) Prepositioned Supplies and
25	equipment for resetting in-theater

1	stocks of supplies and equipment to
2	pre-war levels.
3	(M) Security force funding to train, equip,
4	and sustain Iraqi and Afghan military and po-
5	lice forces.
6	(N) Fuel:
7	(i) War fuel costs and funding to en-
8	sure that logistical support to combat oper-
9	ations is not degraded due to cash losses
10	in the Department of Defense's baseline
11	fuel program.
12	(ii) Enough of any base fuel shortfall
13	attributable to fuel price increases to main-
14	tain sufficient on-hand cash for the De-
15	fense Working Capital Funds to cover
16	seven days disbursements.
17	(3) Excluded items from Overseas Contingency
18	Funding that must be funded from the base budget:
19	(A) Training vehicles, aircraft, ammuni-
20	tion, and simulators, but not training base
21	stocks of specialized, theater-specific equipment
22	that is required to support combat operations in
23	the theater of operations, and support to de-
24	ployment-specific training described above.

1	(B) Acceleration of equipment service life
2	extension programs already in the Future Years
3	Defense Plan.
4	(C) Base Realignment and Closure
5	projects.
6	(D) Family support initiatives:
7	(i) Construction of childcare facilities.
8	(ii) Funding for private-public par-
9	tisanships to expand military families' ac-
10	cess to childcare.
11	(iii) Support for service members'
12	spouses professional development.
13	(E) Programs to maintain industrial base
14	capacity including "war-stoppers".
15	(F) Personnel:
16	(i) Recruiting and retention bonuses
17	to maintain end-strength.
18	(ii) Basic Pay and the Basic allow-
19	ances for Housing and Subsistence for per-
20	manently authorized end strength.
21	(iii) Individual augmentees on a case-
22	by-case basis.
23	(G) Support for the personnel, operations,
24	or the construction or maintenance of facilities

1	at United States Offices of Security Coopera-
2	tion in theater.
3	(H) Costs for reconfiguring prepositioned
4	supplies and equipment or for maintaining
5	them.
6	(4) Items proposed for increases in
7	reprogrammings or as payback for prior
8	reprogrammings must meet the criteria above.
9	SEC. 7. INCREASE ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF FEDERAL
10	BUILDINGS.
11	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:
12	(1) Private sector funding and expertise can
13	help address the energy efficiency challenges facing
14	the United States.
15	(2) The Federal Government spends more than
16	\$6 billion annually in energy costs.
17	(3) Reducing Federal energy costs can help
18	save money, create jobs, and reduce waste.
19	(4) Energy savings performance contracts and
20	utility energy savings contracts are tools for utilizing
21	private sector investment to upgrade Federal facili-
22	ties without any up-front cost to the taxpayer.
23	(5) Performance contracting is a way to retrofit
24	Federal buildings using private sector investment in
25	the absence of appropriated dollars. Retrofits seek to

1	reduce energy use, improve infrastructure, protect
2	national security, and cut facility operations and
3	maintenance costs.
4	(b) Use of Energy and Water Efficiency
5	Measures in Federal Buildings.—
6	(1) Implementation of identified energy
7	AND WATER EFFICIENCY MEASURES.—Section
8	543(f)(4) of the National Energy Conservation Pol-
9	icy Act (42 U.S.C. 8253(f)(4)) is amended to read
10	as follows:
11	"(4) Implementation of identified energy
12	AND WATER EFFICIENCY MEASURES.—
13	"(A) In General.—Not later than 2 years
14	after the completion of each evaluation under
15	paragraph (3), each energy manager shall con-
16	sider—
17	"(i) implementing any energy- or
18	water-saving or conservation measure that
19	the Federal agency identified in the evalua-
20	tion conducted under paragraph (3) that is
21	life cycle cost-effective; and
22	"(ii) bundling individual measures of
23	varying paybacks together into combined
24	projects.

1	"(B) Measures not implemented.—
2	The energy manager, as part of the certification
3	system under paragraph (7) and using guide-
4	lines developed by the Secretary, shall provide
5	reasons for not implementing any life cycle
6	cost-effective measures under subparagraph
7	(A).".
8	(2) Annual contracting goal.—Section
9	543(f)(10)(C) of the National Energy Conservation
10	Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8253(f)(10)(C)) is amended—
11	(A) by striking "Each Federal agency"
12	and inserting the following:
13	"(i) In General.—Each Federal
14	agency"; and
15	(B) by adding at the end the following new
16	clauses:
17	"(ii) Tracking.—Each Federal agen-
18	cy shall use the benchmarking systems se-
19	lected or developed for the agency under
20	paragraph (8) to track energy savings real-
21	ized by the agency through the implemen-
22	tation of energy- or water-saving or con-
23	servation measures pursuant to paragraph
24	(4), and shall submit information regard-
25	ing such savings to the Secretary to be

1	published on a public website of the De-
2	partment of Energy.
3	"(iii) Consideration.—Each Federal
4	agency shall consider using energy savings
5	performance contracts or utility energy
6	service contracts to implement energy- or
7	water-saving or conservation measures pur-
8	suant to paragraph (4).
9	"(iv) Contracting goal.—It shall
10	be the goal of the Federal Government, in
11	the implementation of energy- or water-
12	saving or conservation measures pursuant
13	to paragraph (4), to enter into energy sav-
14	ings performance contracts or utility en-
15	ergy service contracts equal to
16	\$1,000,000,000 in each year during the 5-
17	year period beginning on January 1, 2014.
18	"(v) Report to congress.—Not
19	later than September 30 of each year dur-
20	ing the 5-year period referred to in clause
21	(iv), each Federal agency shall submit to
22	the Secretary information regarding
23	progress made by the agency towards
24	achieving the goal described in such clause.
25	Not later than 60 days after each such

1	September 30, the Secretary, acting
2	through the Federal Energy Management
3	Program, shall submit to the Committee
4	on Energy and Commerce of the House of
5	Representatives and the Committee on En-
6	ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate
7	a report describing the progress made by
8	the Federal Government towards achieving
9	such goal.".
10	SEC. 8. REDUCE REDUNDANT HEALTH PAYMENTS FOR SEN-
11	IORS.
12	(a) Study.—The Secretary of Health and Human
13	Services, in cooperation with the Secretary of Veterans Af-
14	fairs and the Secretary of Defense, shall conduct a study
15	examining the extent to which payments may be made
16	under both the Medicare Advantage program and under
17	the veterans health care system or the TRICARE program
18	for health care furnished to individuals who are eligible
19	under such Medicare Advantage program and the veterans
20	health care system or the TRICARE program.
21	(b) Report.—The Secretary shall submit a report to
22	Congress on the study conducted under subsection (a).
23	The report shall contain recommendations that—

1	(1) preserve access to benefits under the Medi-
2	care program for individuals eligible for such bene-
3	fits;
4	(2) focus on satisfaction and health outcomes of
5	such individuals with respect to such benefits;
6	(3) provide for the efficient use of Federal
7	funds;
8	(4) account for the adequacy of the veterans
9	health care system and the TRICARE program; and
10	(5) minimize disruption to the availability of
11	Medicare Advantage plans and networks of providers
12	participating in such plans.
13	(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
14	(1) The term "Medicare Advantage program"
15	means the program under part C of title XVIII of
16	the Social Security Act.
17	(2) The term "TRICARE program" has the
18	meaning given that term in section 1072(7) of title
19	10, United States Code.
20	(3) The term "veterans health care system"
21	means the health care system established under sec-
22	tion 1705 of title 38, United States Code.
23	SEC. 9. EFFICIENT MEDICARE BILLING.
24	(a) Option to Receive Medicare Summary No-
25	TICE ELECTRONICALLY —

1	(1) In General.—Section 1806 of the Social
2	Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395b-7) is amended by
3	adding at the end the following new subsection:
4	"(c) Format of Statements From Secretary.—
5	"(1) Electronic option beginning in
6	2015.—Subject to paragraph (2), for statements de-
7	scribed in subsection (a) that are furnished for a pe-
8	riod in 2015 or a subsequent year, in the case that
9	an individual described in subsection (a) elects, in
10	accordance with such form, manner, and time speci-
11	fied by the Secretary, to receive such statement in
12	an electronic format, such statement shall be fur-
13	nished to such individual for each period subsequent
14	to such election in such a format and shall not be
15	mailed to the individual.
16	"(2) One-time revocation option.—An indi-
17	vidual who makes an election described in paragraph
18	(1) may revoke such election once.
19	"(3) Notification.—The Secretary shall en-
20	sure that, in the most cost effective manner and be-
21	ginning January 1, 2017, a clear notification of the
22	option to elect to receive statements described in
23	subsection (a) in an electronic format is made avail-
24	able, such as through the notices distributed under

1	section 1804, to individuals described in subsection
2	(a).".
3	(2) Encouraged expansion of electronic
4	STATEMENTS.—To the extent to which the Secretary
5	of Health and Human Services determines appro-
6	priate, the Secretary shall—
7	(A) apply an option similar to the option
8	described in subsection $(e)(1)$ of section 1806 of
9	the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395b-7)
10	(relating to the provision of the Medicare Sum-
11	mary Notice in an electronic format), as added
12	by subsection (a), to other statements and noti-
13	fications under title XVIII of such Act (42
14	U.S.C. 1395 et seq.); and
15	(B) provide such Medicare Summary No-
16	tice and any such other statements and notifi-
17	cations on a more frequent basis than is other-
18	wise required under such title.
19	(b) Renewal of MAC Contracts.—Section
20	1874A(b)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
21	1395 kk-1(b)(1)(B)) is amended by striking "5 years" and
22	inserting "10 years".