

Union Calendar No. 348

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2465

[Report No. 115–469, Part I]

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make permanent the removal of the rental cap for durable medical equipment under the Medicare program with respect to speech generating devices.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2017

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS (for herself, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. HUIZENGA, Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania, Mr. KILMER, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. RICHMOND, and Mr. ROSKAM) 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

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Additional sponsors: Ms. PINGREE, Mr. YOUNG of Iowa, Mr. LANCE, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. PETERS, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. BEYER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Ms. MENG, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. COLE, Mr. SOTO, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. POCAN, Mr. TONKO, Mr. WALZ, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. TURNER, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. JONES, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. HECK, Mrs. COMSTOCK, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. HARPER, Mr. KIND, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. EVANS, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. FASO, Mr. RENACCI, Mr. MITCHELL, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. ESTY of Connecticut, Ms. LEE, Mr. YARMUTH, Ms. TSONGAS, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs.

NAPOLITANO, Mr. RUSH, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. COURTNEY, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. BARLETTA, Ms. MOORE, Mr. EMMER, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. COSTA, and Mr. COMER

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The Committee on Ways and Means discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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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 “Steve Gleason Endur-
5 ing Voices Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. MAKING PERMANENT THE REMOVAL OF THE RENT-**
7 **AL CAP FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT**
8 **UNDER MEDICARE WITH RESPECT TO**
9 **SPEECH GENERATING DEVICES.**

10 Section 1834(a)(2)(A)(iv) of the Social Security Act
11 (42 U.S.C. 1395m(a)(2)(A)(iv)) is amended by striking
12 “and before October 1, 2018,”.

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