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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOAGLAND introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means

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. REQUIRING HOSPITALS TO PROVIDE INFORMA-**
2 **TION ON CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATIONS AS**
3 **CONDITION OF PARTICIPATION UNDER MEDI-**
4 **CARE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1866(a)(1) of the Social
6 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395cc(a)(1)) is amended—

7 (1) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-
8 graph (N);

9 (2) by striking the semicolon at the end of sub-
10 paragraph (O) and inserting a comma;

11 (3) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-
12 graph (P);

13 (4) by striking the period at the end of sub-
14 paragraph (Q) and inserting “, and”; and

15 (5) by inserting after subparagraph (Q) the fol-
16 lowing new subparagraph:

17 “(R) in the case of hospitals and rural primary
18 care hospitals, to provide written information on
19 generally accepted recommendations for childhood
20 immunizations (including a schedule describing the
21 recommended timing and frequency for such immu-
22 nizations) to the mother of each child born at the
23 hospital at the time the child is discharged from the
24 hospital.”.

25 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
26 subsection (a) shall apply to agreements with providers of

- 1 services and the Secretary of Health and Human Services
- 2 under title XVIII of the Social Security Act for fiscal years
- 3 beginning on or after October 1, 1993.

