

104TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 3225

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expedite payment adjustments for durable medical equipment under part B of the medicare program based upon inherent reasonableness.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 29, 1996

Mr. SHAYS (for himself, Mr. SCHIFF, and Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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

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. EXPEDITING IMPLEMENTATION OF PAYMENT**
2 **ADJUSTMENTS FOR DURABLE MEDICAL**
3 **EQUIPMENT UNDER MEDICARE BASED UPON**
4 **INHERENT REASONABLENESS.**

5 The first sentence of section 1834(a)(10)(B) of the
6 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(a)(10)(B)) is
7 amended by striking the period and inserting the follow-
8 ing: “, except that (notwithstanding any provision of such
9 paragraphs or this title) the Secretary shall make an ad-
10 justment in payment for an item under this subsection
11 pursuant to this subparagraph through the issuance of an
12 interim final regulation issued not later than 1 year after
13 the Secretary initially proposes to make the adjustment.”.

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