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H. R. 4154

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare Program of compression sleeves and stockings for the treatment of lymphedema.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2002

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii 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

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. COVERAGE OF COMPRESSION SLEEVES AND**
4 **STOCKINGS FOR THE TREATMENT OF**
5 **LYMPHEDEMA.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861(s)(9) of the Social
7 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(9)) is amended—

8 (1) by inserting “(A)” after “(9)”;

1 (2) by adding “and” at the end; and

2 (3) by adding at the end the following:

3 “(B) compression sleeves or stockings for the
4 treatment of lymphedema, including replacements if
5 required because of a change in the patient’s phys-
6 ical condition;”.

7 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
8 subsection (a) shall apply to items and services furnished
9 on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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