

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 419

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand coverage of bone mass measurements under part B of the medicare program to all individuals at clinical risk for osteoporosis.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 14, 2003

Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. HARKIN, and Ms. CANTWELL) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Medicare Osteoporosis
5 Measurement Act of 2003”.

1 **SEC. 2. COVERAGE OF BONE MASS MEASUREMENTS FOR**
2 **ALL INDIVIDUALS AT CLINICAL RISK FOR**
3 **OSTEOPOROSIS.**

4 (a) **COVERAGE.**—Section 1861(rr)(2)(A) of the Social
5 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(rr)(2)(A)) is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 “(A) an individual, including an estrogen-defi-
8 cient woman, at clinical risk for osteoporosis;”.

9 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) applies with respect to items and services
11 furnished on or after October 1, 2003.

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