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H. R. 2558

To modify the definition of children’s hospital for purposes of making payments to children’s hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 15, 2011

Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Mr. LANGEVIN, and Mr. ENGEL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Children’s Hospitals
5 Education Equity Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROGRAM OF PAYMENTS TO CHILDREN'S HOS-**
2 **PITALS THAT OPERATE GRADUATE MEDICAL**
3 **EDUCATION PROGRAMS.**

4 Section 340E(g)(2) of the Public Health Service Act
5 (42 U.S.C. 256e(g)) is amended—

6 (1) by striking “means a” and inserting
7 “means—

8 “(A) a”;

9 (2) by striking the period and inserting “; or”;

10 and

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

12 “(B) a psychiatric hospital, as defined in
13 section 1861(f) of the Social Security Act, that
14 has continuously since the date of enactment of
15 this subparagraph met all of the following cri-
16 teria:

17 “(i) The hospital is excluded from the
18 Medicare inpatient hospital prospective
19 payment system pursuant to section
20 1886(d)(1)(B)(i) of such Act (and regula-
21 tions promulgated under such section).

22 “(ii) The hospital has 90 percent or
23 more inpatients under the age of 18.

24 “(iii) The hospital has a Medicare
25 payment agreement.

1 “(iv) The hospital has an approved
2 medical residency training program as de-
3 fined in section 1886(h)(5)(A) of such
4 Act.”.

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