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To establish a State public option through Medicaid to provide Americans with the choice of a high-quality, low-cost health insurance plan.

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A BILL

To establish a State public option through Medicaid to provide Americans with the choice of a high-quality, low-cost health insurance plan.

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 “State Public Option
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. MEDICAID BUY-IN OPTION.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902 of the Social Secu-
8 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a)(10)—

2 (A) in subparagraph (A)(ii)—

3 (i) in subclause (XXII), by striking “;
4 or” and inserting a semicolon;

5 (ii) in subclause (XXIII), by adding
6 “or” at the end; and

7 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing new subclause:

9 “(XXIV) beginning January 1,
10 2022, who are residents of the State
11 and are not concurrently enrolled in
12 another health insurance coverage
13 plan, subject, in the case of individ-
14 uals described in subsection (tt) and
15 notwithstanding section 1916 (except
16 for subsection (k) of such section), to
17 payment of premiums or other cost-
18 sharing charges;” and

19 (B) in the matter following subparagraph
20 (G), by inserting “or subparagraph
21 (A)(ii)(XXIV)” after “described in subpara-
22 graph (A)(i)(VIII)”; and

23 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
24 section:

1 “(tt) PREVIOUSLY UNDESCRIBED INDIVIDUALS.—In-
 2 dividuals described in this subsection are individuals who
 3 are—

4 “(1) described in subclause (XXIV) of sub-
 5 section (a)(10)(A)(ii); and

6 “(2) are not described in any other subclause of
 7 such subsection or any other provision in this Act
 8 which provides for eligibility for medical assist-
 9 ance.”.

10 (b) PROVISION OF AT LEAST MINIMUM COVERAGE.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(k)(1) of the
 12 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(k)(1)) is
 13 amended by inserting “or an individual described in
 14 subclause (XXIV) of subsection (a)(10)(A)(ii)” after
 15 “an individual described in subclause (VIII) of sub-
 16 section (a)(10)(A)(i)” each place it appears.

17 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
 18 1903(i)(26) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 19 1396b(i)(26)) is amended by striking “individuals
 20 described in subclause (VIII) of subsection
 21 (a)(10)(A)(i)” and inserting “individuals described
 22 in subsections (a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) or
 23 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) of section 1902”.

24 (c) FEDERAL FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION IN BUY-IN
 25 PROGRAM.—

(1) ENHANCED MATCH FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Section 1903(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(a)) is amended—

(A) by redesignating paragraph (7) as paragraph (8); and

(B) by inserting after paragraph (6) the following new paragraph:

“(7) an amount equal to 90 percent of the sums expended during such quarter which are attributable to reasonable administrative expenses related to the administration of a Medicaid buy-in program for individuals described in section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV); plus”.

(2) TREATMENT OF PREMIUM AND COST-SHARING REVENUES FROM MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 1903(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(a)(1)), for any fiscal quarter during which a State collects premiums, cost-sharing, or similar charges under subsection (k) of section 1916 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396o) (as added by this Act), including any advance payments of premium tax credits under section 1412 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act or payments for cost-sharing reduc-

tions under section 1402 of such Act that are received by the State, the total amount expended during such quarter as medical assistance for individuals who buy into Medicaid coverage under subclause (XXIV) of section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) of the Social Security Act (as added by this Act) shall be reduced by the amount of such premiums or charges.

(B) TREATMENT OF EXCESS PREMIUMS.—

Each State that collects premiums or similar charges under subsection (k) of section 1916 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396o) (as added by this Act) in a fiscal year shall pay to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, at such time and in such form and manner as the Secretary shall specify, an amount equal to 50 percent of the amount, if any, by which—

(i) the total amount of such premiums and charges collected by the State for such year; exceeds

(ii) the total amount expended by the State during such year as medical assistance for individuals who buy into Medicaid coverage under subclause (XXIV) of sec-

1 tion 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) of such Act (as
2 added by this Act).

3 (d) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.—Section 1916 of
4 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396o) is amended by
5 adding at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(k) PREMIUMS AND COST-SHARING FOR INDIVID-
7 UALS PARTICIPATING IN MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
9 with respect to individuals who are eligible for med-
10 ical assistance under subsection
11 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) of section 1902 and are de-
12 scribed in subsection (tt) of such section, a State
13 may—

14 “(A) impose premiums, deductibles, cost-
15 sharing, or other similar charges that are actu-
16 arially fair; and

17 “(B) vary the premium rate imposed on an
18 individual based only on the factors described in
19 section 2701(a)(1)(A) of the Public Health
20 Service Act and subject to the same limitations
21 on the weight which may be given to such fac-
22 tors under such section.

23 “(2) LIMITATIONS.—

24 “(A) PREMIUMS.—The total amount of
25 premiums imposed for a year under this sub-

section with respect to all individuals described in paragraph (1) in a family shall not exceed an amount equal to 8.5 percent of the family's household income (as defined in section 36B(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) for the year involved.

“(B) OTHER COST-SHARING.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The cost-sharing limitations described in section 1302(c) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act shall apply to cost-sharing (as defined in such section) for medical assistance provided under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) in the same manner as such limitations apply to cost-sharing under qualified health plans under title I of such Act.

“(ii) AVAILABILITY OF COST-SHARING REDUCTIONS.—Individuals provided medical assistance under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) and subject to cost-sharing under this subsection are eligible for cost-sharing reductions under section 1402 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (subject to the income

1 eligibility threshold in subsection (b)(2) of
 2 such section), and in applying such sec-
 3 tion—

4 “(I) enrollment in a State plan
 5 under section
 6 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) shall be
 7 treated as coverage under a qualified
 8 health plan in the silver level of cov-
 9 erage in the individual market offered
 10 through an Exchange established for
 11 or by the State under title I of the
 12 Patient Protection and Affordable
 13 Care Act; and

14 “(II) the State agency admin-
 15 istering such plan shall be treated as
 16 the issuer of such plan.

17 “(3) PREMIUMS AND COST-SHARING FOR CER-
 18 TAIN OTHER INDIVIDUALS.—If an individual is eligi-
 19 ble for medical assistance under subsection
 20 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) of section 1902 and is not de-
 21 scribed in subsection (tt) of such section, a State—

22 “(A) shall not impose premiums and cost-
 23 sharing on the individual under this subsection;
 24 and

“(B) may impose premiums and cost-sharing on the individual to the extent allowed by another provision of this Act (other than section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV)) which provides for eligibility for medical assistance, but only if the individual is described in such other provision.

“(4) APPLICATION OF PREMIUM ASSISTANCE TAX CREDITS.—An individual who is required to pay premiums under this subsection for a year for medical assistance shall be eligible for a premium assistance credit under section 36B of the Internal Revenue Code to the same extent that such individual would be eligible for a premium assistance credit under such section if such individual had paid the same amount in premiums for coverage under a qualified health plan for such year.”.

(e) MANAGED CARE.—Section 1932(a)(1)(A)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396u–2(a)(1)(A)(i)) is amended by inserting “, including an individual who is eligible for such assistance after buying into such coverage under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV),” after “the State plan under this title”.

(f) OFFERING BUY-IN PROGRAM ON STATE EXCHANGE; ENROLLMENT PERIODS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—A State that has elected to
 2 allow individuals to buy into Medicaid coverage
 3 under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) of the So-
 4 cial Security Act (as added by this Act) shall allow
 5 individuals to enroll in such coverage through the
 6 Federal, federally facilitated, or State Exchange es-
 7 tablished pursuant to title I of the Patient Protec-
 8 tion and Affordable Care Act.

9 (2) ENROLLMENT PERIODS.—A State may limit
 10 the enrollment of individuals into Medicaid coverage
 11 under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) of the So-
 12 cial Security Act (as added by this Act) to the en-
 13 rollment periods provided for under section
 14 1311(c)(6) of the Patient Protection and Affordable
 15 Care Act.

16 (g) APPLICATION OF ADVANCED PREMIUM TAX
 17 CREDITS TO MEDICAID BUY-IN PLANS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 36B of the Internal
 19 Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

20 (A) in subsection (b)(3)(B), by adding at
 21 the end the following new sentence:

22 “‘If an applicable taxpayer resides in a rating
 23 area in which no silver plan is offered on the
 24 individual market but the taxpayer buys into
 25 Medicaid coverage under section

1 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) of the Social Secu-
 2 rity Act, such Medicaid coverage shall be
 3 deemed to be the applicable second lowest cost
 4 silver plan with respect to such taxpayer.”; and

5 (B) by adding at the end the following new
 6 subsection:

7 “(h) APPLICATION TO INDIVIDUALS PURCHASING
 8 MEDICAID COVERAGE.—In the case of any individual who
 9 buys into Medicaid coverage under section
 10 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV) of the Social Security Act, this
 11 section shall be applied with the following modifications:

12 “(1) The amount determined under subsection
 13 (b)(2)(A) shall be increased by the amount of the
 14 monthly premiums paid for such coverage.

15 “(2) Subsection (c)(2)(A)(i) shall be applied by
 16 treating coverage under the Medicaid program under
 17 title XIX of the Social Security Act in the same
 18 manner as a qualified health plan that was enrolled
 19 in through an Exchange.

20 “(3) In applying subsection (c)(2)(B)—

21 “(A) an individual shall not be considered
 22 to be eligible for minimum essential coverage
 23 described in section 5000A(f)(1)(A)(ii) by rea-
 24 son of eligibility for medical assistance under a

1 State Medicaid program under section
 2 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV); and

3 “(B) an individual who is not covered by
 4 minimum essential coverage described in section
 5 5000A(f)(1)(B) shall not be considered to be el-
 6 igible for such coverage.”.

7 (2) ADVANCED PAYMENT OF CREDIT.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of
 9 Health and Human Services, in consultation
 10 with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall estab-
 11 lish a program under which—

12 (i) upon request of a State agency ad-
 13 ministering a State Medicaid program
 14 under title XIX of the Social Security Act,
 15 advance determinations are made in a
 16 manner similar to advanced determinations
 17 under section 1412 of the Patient Protec-
 18 tion and Affordable Care Act with respect
 19 to the income eligibility of individuals en-
 20 rolling in such program for the premium
 21 tax credit allowable under section 36B of
 22 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and
 23 the cost-sharing reductions under section
 24 1402 of the Patient Protection and Afford-
 25 able Care Act;

1 (ii) the Secretary notifies—

2 (I) the State agency admin-
3 istering the program and the Sec-
4 retary of the Treasury of the advance
5 determinations; and

6 (II) the Secretary of the Treas-
7 ury of the name and employer identi-
8 fication number of each employer with
9 respect to whom 1 or more employees
10 of the employer were determined to be
11 eligible for the premium tax credit
12 under section 36B of the Internal
13 Revenue Code of 1986 and the cost-
14 sharing reductions under section 1402
15 of the Patient Protection and Afford-
16 able Care Act because—

17 (aa) the employer did not
18 provide minimum essential cov-
19 erage; or

20 (bb) the employer provided
21 such minimum essential coverage
22 but it was determined under sec-
23 tion 36B(c)(2)(C) of such Code
24 to either be unaffordable to the
25 employee or not provide the re-

1 quired minimum actuarial value;
2 and

3 (iii) the Secretary of the Treasury
4 makes advance payments of such credit or
5 reductions to the State agency admin-
6 istering the program in order to reduce the
7 premiums payable by individuals eligible
8 for such credit.

9 (B) DETERMINATIONS AND PAYMENTS.—
10 Rules similar to subsections (b) and (c) of sec-
11 tion 1412 of the Patient Protection and Afford-
12 able Care Act shall apply for purposes of this
13 subsection.

14 (C) COORDINATION WITH CREDIT.—

15 (i) IN GENERAL.—Section 36B of the
16 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended
17 by inserting “and under section 2(g)(2) of
18 the State Public Option Act” after “sec-
19 tion 1412 of the Patient Protection and
20 Affordable Care Act” each place it appears
21 in subsections (f)(1), (f)(2), and (g)(1).

22 (ii) INFORMATION REPORTING.—Sec-
23 tion 36B(f)(3) of such Code is amended by
24 adding at the end the following flush sen-
25 tence: “In the case of any coverage under

1 the Medicaid program under title XIX of
 2 the Social Security Act for which a credit
 3 under this section is allowable by reason of
 4 subsection (h), the State agency admin-
 5 istering the Medicaid program shall be
 6 treated as an Exchange for purposes of
 7 this paragraph and subparagraph (A) shall
 8 not apply.”.

9 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT RELATING TO
 10 EMPLOYER RESPONSIBILITY.—Paragraph (6) of sec-
 11 tion 4980H(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
 12 is amended by inserting “, except that for purposes
 13 of subsections (a)(2) and (b)(2), the term ‘qualified
 14 health plan’ shall include any plan described in sec-
 15 tion 36B(h)” after “such Act”.

16 (h) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

17 (1) Section 1902(a)(10) of the Social Security
 18 Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)), as amended by sub-
 19 section (a), is further amended, in the matter fol-
 20 lowing subparagraph (G)—

21 (A) by striking “and (XVIII)” and insert-
 22 ing “, (XVIII)”; and

23 (B) by inserting “, and (XIX) the medical
 24 assistance made available to an individual de-
 25 scribed in subparagraph (A)(ii)(XXIV) shall be

(3) Section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act
(42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)) is amended, in the matter pre-
ceding paragraph (1)—

12 (B) by inserting “or” at the end of clause
13 (xvii); and

16 “(xviii) individuals described in section
17 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XXIV),”.

(5) Section 1937(a)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396u-7(a)(1)(B)) is amended by inserting “, subclause (XXIV) of section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii),” after “1902(a)(10)(A)(i)”.

1 **SEC. 3. DEVELOPMENT OF STATE-LEVEL METRICS ON MED-**
2 **ICAID BENEFICIARY ACCESS AND SATISFAC-**
3 **TION.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—

5 (1) DEVELOPMENT OF METRICS.—Not later
6 than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act,
7 the Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research
8 and Quality, in consultation with State Medicaid Di-
9 rectors, shall develop standardized, State-level
10 metrics of access to, and satisfaction with, providers,
11 including primary care and specialist providers, with
12 respect to individuals who are enrolled in State Med-
13 icaid plans under title XIX of the Social Security
14 Act.

15 (2) PROCESS.—The Director of the Agency for
16 Healthcare Research and Quality shall develop the
17 metrics described in paragraph (1) through a public
18 process, which shall provide opportunities for stake-
19 holders to participate.

20 (b) UPDATING METRICS.—The Director of the Agen-
21 cy for Healthcare Research and Quality, in consultation
22 with the Deputy Administrator for the Center for Med-
23 icaid and CHIP Services and State Medicaid Directors,
24 shall update the metrics developed under subsection (a)
25 not less than once every 3 years.

1 (c) STATE IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING.—The Direc-
 2 tor of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
 3 may award funds, from the amount appropriated under
 4 subsection (d), to States for the purpose of implementing
 5 the metrics developed under this section.

6 (d) APPROPRIATION.—There is appropriated to the
 7 Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Qual-
 8 ity, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
 9 priated, \$200,000,000 for fiscal year 2022, to remain
 10 available until expended, for the purpose of carrying out
 11 this section.

12 **SEC. 4. RENEWAL OF APPLICATION OF MEDICARE PAY-**
 13 **MENT RATE FLOOR TO PRIMARY CARE SERV-**
 14 **ICES FURNISHED UNDER MEDICAID AND IN-**
 15 **CLUSION OF ADDITIONAL PROVIDERS.**

16 (a) RENEWAL OF PAYMENT FLOOR; ADDITIONAL
 17 PROVIDERS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(a)(13) of the
 19 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(13)) is
 20 amended by striking subparagraph (C) and inserting
 21 the following:

22 “(C) payment for primary care services (as
 23 defined in subsection (jj)) at a rate that is not
 24 less than 100 percent of the payment rate that
 25 applies to such services and physician under

part B of title XVIII (or, if greater, the payment rate that would be applicable under such part if the conversion factor under section 1848(d) for the year involved were the conversion factor under such section for 2009), and that is not less than the rate that would otherwise apply to such services under this title if the rate were determined without regard to this subparagraph, and that are—

“(i) furnished in 2013 and 2014, by a physician with a primary specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine, or pediatric medicine; or

“(ii) furnished in the period that begins on the first day of the first month that begins after the date of enactment of the State Public Option Act—

“(I) by a physician with a primary specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine, or pediatric medicine, but only if the physician self-attests that the physician is Board certified in family medicine, general internal medicine, or pediatric medicine;

1 “(II) by a physician with a pri-
2 mary specialty designation of obstet-
3 rics and gynecology, but only if the
4 physician self-attests that the physi-
5 cian is Board certified in obstetrics
6 and gynecology;

7 “(III) by an advanced practice
8 clinician, as defined by the Secretary,
9 that works under the supervision of—

10 “(aa) a physician that satis-
11 fies the criteria specified in sub-
12 clause (I) or (II); or

13 “(bb) a nurse practitioner or
14 a physician assistant (as such
15 terms are defined in section
16 1861(aa)(5)(A)) who is working
17 in accordance with State law, or
18 a certified nurse-midwife (as de-
19 fined in section 1861(gg)) who is
20 working in accordance with State
21 law;

22 “(IV) by a rural health clinic,
23 federally qualified health center, or
24 other health clinic that receives reim-
25 bursement on a fee schedule applica-

1 ble to a physician, a nurse practi-
2 tioner or a physician assistant (as
3 such terms are defined in section
4 1861(aa)(5)(A)) who is working in ac-
5 cordance with State law, or a certified
6 nurse-midwife (as defined in section
7 1861(gg)) who is working in accord-
8 ance with State law, for services fur-
9 nished by a physician, nurse practi-
10 tioner, physician assistant, or certified
11 nurse-midwife, or services furnished
12 by an advanced practice clinician su-
13 pervised by a physician described in
14 subclause (I)(aa) or (II)(aa), another
15 advanced practice clinician, or a cer-
16 tified nurse-midwife; or

17 “(V) by a nurse practitioner or a
18 physician assistant (as such terms are
19 defined in section 1861(aa)(5)(A))
20 who is working in accordance with
21 State law, or a certified nurse-midwife
22 (as defined in section 1861(gg)) who
23 is working in accordance with State
24 law, in accordance with procedures
25 that ensure that the portion of the

1 payment for such services that the
 2 nurse practitioner, physician assist-
 3 ant, or certified nurse-midwife is paid
 4 is not less than the amount that the
 5 nurse practitioner, physician assist-
 6 ant, or certified nurse-midwife would
 7 be paid if the services were provided
 8 under part B of title XVIII;”.

9 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section
 10 1905(dd) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 11 1396d(dd)) is amended—

12 (A) by striking “Notwithstanding” and in-
 13 serting the following:

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding”;

15 (B) by inserting “or furnished during the
 16 additional period specified in paragraph (2),”
 17 after “2015,”; and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(2) ADDITIONAL PERIOD.—For purposes of
 20 paragraph (1), the additional period specified in this
 21 paragraph is the period that begins on the first day
 22 of the first month that begins after the date of en-
 23 actment of the State Public Option Act.”.

1 (b) IMPROVED TARGETING OF PRIMARY CARE.—Sec-
 2 tion 1902(jj) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 3 1396a(jj)) is amended—

4 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) and (2) as
 5 subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively and realign-
 6 ing the left margins accordingly;

7 (2) by striking “For purposes of” and inserting
 8 the following:

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of”; and

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

11 “(2) EXCLUSIONS.—Such term does not include
 12 any services described in subparagraph (A) or (B) of
 13 paragraph (1) if such services are provided in an
 14 emergency department of a hospital.”.

15 (c) ENSURING PAYMENT BY MANAGED CARE ENTI-
 16 TIES.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1903(m)(2)(A) of
 18 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(m)(2)(A))
 19 is amended—

20 (A) in clause (xii), by striking “and” after
 21 the semicolon;

22 (B) in clause (xiii)—

23 (i) by realigning the left margin so as
 24 to align with the left margin of clause (xii);
 25 and

1 (ii) by striking the period at the end
 2 of clause (xiii) and inserting “; and”; and
 3 (C) by inserting after clause (xiii) the fol-
 4 lowing:

5 “(xiv) such contract provides that (I) payments
 6 to providers specified in section 1902(a)(13)(C) for
 7 primary care services defined in section 1902(jj)
 8 that are furnished during a year or period specified
 9 in section 1902(a)(13)(C) and section 1905(dd) are
 10 at least equal to the amounts set forth and required
 11 by the Secretary by regulation, (II) the entity shall,
 12 upon request, provide documentation to the State,
 13 sufficient to enable the State and the Secretary to
 14 ensure compliance with subclause (I), and (III) the
 15 Secretary shall approve payments described in sub-
 16 clause (I) that are furnished through an agreed
 17 upon capitation, partial capitation, or other value-
 18 based payment arrangement if the capitation, partial
 19 capitation, or other value-based payment arrange-
 20 ment is based on a reasonable methodology and the
 21 entity provides documentation to the State sufficient
 22 to enable the State and the Secretary to ensure com-
 23 pliance with subclause (I).”.

24 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
 25 1932(f) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.

1 1396u–2(f)) is amended by inserting “and clause
2 (xiv) of section 1903(m)(2)(A)” before the period.

3 **SEC. 5. INCREASED FMAP FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO**
4 **NEWLY ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1905(y)(1) of the Social
6 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(y)(1)) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “2014,
8 2015, and 2016” and inserting “each of the first 3
9 consecutive 12-month periods in which the State
10 provides medical assistance to newly eligible individ-
11 uals”;

12 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking “2017”
13 and inserting “the fourth consecutive 12-month pe-
14 riod in which the State provides medical assistance
15 to newly eligible individuals”;

16 (3) in subparagraph (C), by striking “2018”
17 and inserting “the fifth consecutive 12-month period
18 in which the State provides medical assistance to
19 newly eligible individuals”;

20 (4) in subparagraph (D), by striking “2019”
21 and inserting “the sixth consecutive 12-month period
22 in which the State provides medical assistance to
23 newly eligible individuals”; and

24 (5) in subparagraph (E), by striking “2020 and
25 each year thereafter” and inserting “the seventh

1 consecutive 12-month period in which the State pro-
 2 vides medical assistance to newly eligible individuals
 3 and each such period thereafter”.

4 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 5 subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enact-
 6 ment of Public Law 111–148.

7 **SEC. 6. MEDICAID COVERAGE OF COMPREHENSIVE REPRO-**
 8 **DUCTIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICES.**

9 (a) INCLUSION OF COMPREHENSIVE REPRODUCTIVE
 10 HEALTH CARE SERVICES AS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.—
 11 Section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 12 1396d(a)), as amended by section 2(h), is further amend-
 13 ed—

14 (1) in paragraph (30), by striking “and” at the
 15 end;

16 (2) by redesignating paragraph (31) as para-
 17 graph (32); and

18 (3) by inserting after paragraph (30) the fol-
 19 lowing new paragraph:

20 “(31) comprehensive reproductive health care
 21 services, including abortion services and abortion-re-
 22 lated services; and”.

23 (b) REQUIRING COVERAGE OF COMPREHENSIVE RE-
 24 PRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICES AS CONDITION OF
 25 STATE PLAN APPROVAL.—Section 1902(a)(10)(A) of the

1 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)), as
2 amended by subsections (a) and (h) of section 2, is further
3 amended, in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking
4 “and (30)” and inserting “(30), and (31)”.

5 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
6 1932(e)(1)(B) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
7 1396u–2(e)(1)(B)) is amended by striking “Clause (i)”
8 and inserting “With respect to the period beginning before
9 January 1, 2023, clause (i)”.

10 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
11 this section shall apply with respect to medical assistance
12 furnished on or after January 1, 2023.

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