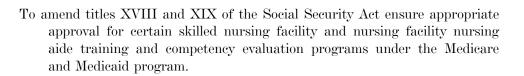
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118th CONGRESS 2D Session



H.R.8244

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Estes introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

## A BILL

- To amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act ensure appropriate approval for certain skilled nursing facility and nursing facility nursing aide training and competency evaluation programs under the Medicare and Medicaid program.
  - 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 "Ensuring Seniors' Ac-
- 5 cess to Quality Care Act".

1	SEC. 2. ENSURING APPROPRIATE APPROVAL FOR CERTAIN
2	SKILLED NURSING FACILITY AND NURSING
3	FACILITY NURSING AIDE TRAINING AND
4	COMPETENCY EVALUATION PROGRAMS
5	UNDER THE MEDICARE AND MEDICAID PRO-
6	GRAM.
7	(a) MEDICARE.—Section 1819(f)(2) of the Social Se-
8	curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395i–3(f)(2)) is amended—
9	(1) in subparagraph (B)(iii)—
10	(A) by striking "subparagraphs (C) and
11	(D)" and inserting "subparagraph (C)"; and
12	(B) in subclause (I)—
13	(i) in item (b), by striking "or" at the
14	end;
15	(ii) by amending item (c) to read as
16	follows:
17	"(c) has been assessed a
18	civil money penalty described in
19	subsection $(h)(2)(B)(ii)$ or sec-
20	tion $1919(h)(2)(A)(ii)$ of not less
21	than \$12,924 and has been cited
22	for a deficiency relating to the
23	quality of care provided to resi-
24	dents of the facility; or"; and
25	(iii) by adding at the end the fol-
26	lowing new item:

1	"(d) has been subject to a
2	remedy described in clause (i) or
3	(iii) of subsection $(h)(2)(B)$ , sub-
4	section $(h)(4)$ , section
5	1919(h)(1)(B)(i), or in clause (i),
6	(iii), or (iv) of section
7	1919(h)(2)(A), or''; and
8	(2) by striking subparagraph (D).
9	(b) Medicaid.—Section 1919(f)(2) of the Social Se-
10	curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r(f)(2)) is amended—
11	(1) in subparagraph (B)(iii)—
12	(A) in the matter preceding subclause (I),
13	by striking "subparagraphs (C) and (D)" and
14	inserting "subparagraph (C)"; and
15	(B) in subclause (I)—
16	(i) in item (b), by striking "or" at the
17	end;
18	(ii) by amending item (c) to read as
19	follows:
20	"(c) has been assessed a
21	civil money penalty described in
22	subsection (h)(2)(A)(ii) or section
23	1819(h)(2)(B)(ii) of not less than
24	\$12,924 and has been cited for a
25	deficiency relating to the quality

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1	of care provided to residents of
2	the facility; or''; and
3	(iii) by adding at the end the fol-
4	lowing new item:
5	"(d) has been subject to a
6	remedy described in subsection
7	(h)(1)(B)(i), clauses (i), (iii), or
8	(iv) of subsection $(h)(2)(A)$ ,
9	clauses (i) or (iii) of section
10	1819(h)(2)(B), or section
11	1819(h)(4), or"; and
12	(2) by striking subparagraph (D).