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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

Mr. BERA (for himself and Mr. BUCSHON) 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. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “Supporting Medicare
5 Providers Act of 2022”.

6 SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

7 It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary of
8 Health and Human Services, the House of Representa-
tives, and the Senate should commit to take administrative and legislative actions to—

(1) ensure financial stability and predictability in the Medicare physician payment system;

(2) promote and reward value-based care innovation; and

(3) safeguard timely access to high-quality care by advancing health equity and reducing disparities.

SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF SUPPORT FOR PHYSICIANS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS IN ADJUSTING TO MEDICARE PAYMENT CHANGES.

Section 1848 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–4) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(2)(B)(iv)(V), by striking “or 2022” and inserting “, 2022, or 2023”; and

(2) in subsection (t)—

(A) in the heading, by striking “AND 2022” and inserting “, 2022, AND 2023”; and

(B) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking “and 2022” and inserting “, 2022, and 2023”;

(ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and” at the end;
(iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”;

(iv) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(C) such services furnished on or after January 1, 2023, and before January 1, 2024, by 4.42 percent.”; and

(C) in paragraph (2)(C)—

(i) in the heading, by striking “AND 2022” and inserting “, 2022 AND 2023”; and

(ii) by striking “or 2022” each place it appears and inserting “, 2022, or 2023”.

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