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H. R. 652

To amend title 10, United States Code, to limit the increase of premiums, deductibles, copayments, or other charges for health care provided under the TRICARE program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 10, 2011

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself, Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey, and Mr. CARTER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. LIMITATION OF INCREASES TO PREMIUMS,**
4 **DEDUCTIBLES, COPAYMENTS, OR OTHER**
5 **CHARGES OF THE TRICARE PROGRAM.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 55 of title 10, United
7 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1095f
8 the following new section:

1 **“§ 1095g. TRICARE Program: limitation of increases**
2 **to premiums, deductibles, copayments, or**
3 **other charges**

4 “Beginning October 1, 2011, the Secretary of De-
5 fense may only increase in any year a premium, deduct-
6 ible, copayment, or other charge to a covered beneficiary
7 for health care provided under the TRICARE program
8 if—

9 “(1) the rates of monthly basic pay authorized
10 for members of the uniformed services are increased
11 for the same year pursuant to section 1009 of title
12 37 or another provision of law; and

13 “(2) the increase to TRICARE charges is by a
14 percentage that is not more than half of the percent-
15 age by which benefit amounts payable under title II
16 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.)
17 are increased for the same year as a result of a de-
18 termination under section 215(i) of such Act (42
19 U.S.C. 415(i)).”.

20 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
21 at the beginning of chapter 55 of such title is amended
22 by inserting after the item relating to section 1095f the
23 following new item:

“1095g. TRICARE Program: limitation of increases to copayments, premiums,
and other charges.”.

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