

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 2389

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend the rural add-on payment in the Medicare home health benefit, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 10, 2015

Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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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 “Preserve Access to
5 Medicare Rural Home Health Services Act of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF HOME HEALTH RURAL ADD-ON.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 421(a) of the Medicare
8 Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act
9 of 2003 (Public Law 108–173; 117 Stat. 2283), as
10 amended by section 5201(b) of the Deficit Reduction Act

1 of 2005 (Public Law 109–171; 120 Stat. 46), section
2 3131(c) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
3 (Public Law 111–148; 124 Stat. 428), and section 210
4 of the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of
5 2015 (Public Law 114–10; 129 Stat. 87), is amended by
6 striking “January 1, 2018” each place it appears and in-
7 serting “January 1, 2023”.

8 (b) REVISION OF HOME HEALTH OUTLIER ADJUST-
9 MENT.—Section 1895(b)(5)(A) of the Social Security Act
10 (42 U.S.C. 1395fff(b)(5)(A)) is amended in the second
11 sentence by inserting “(or, in the case of each of 2018
12 through 2022, 2.25 percent)” after “2.5 percent”.

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