[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow for payments under Medicare to nurse-midwives for supervising students, interns, and residents, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Maternity Providers Education Act of 2015''.

SEC. 2. MEDICARE PAYMENTS FOR SUPERVISION BY CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES.

Section 1861(gg)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(gg)(1)) is amended—

(1) by striking ''means such'' and inserting the following: ''means—

''(A) such''; and

(2) by striking the period at the end and inserting the following: ''; and

''(B) such services (and such services and supplies furnished as an incident to the nurse-midwife's service) which—

''(i) are furnished under the supervision of a certified nurse-midwife by an intern or resident-in-training described in 1861(b)(6) or by a student midwife under a teaching program approved by the Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education or its successor organizations;

''(ii) would otherwise be described in subparagraph (A) if furnished by a certified nurse-midwife; and

''(iii) would be covered if furnished under the supervision of a physician instead of under the supervision of a certified nurse-midwife.''.

SEC. 3. CLARIFYING PERMISSIBILITY OF USING CERTAIN GRANTS FOR CLINICAL TRAINING BY CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES.

Section 811(a)(1) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 296j(a)(1)) is amended by inserting after ''projects'' the following: '', including clinical training,''.