

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. _____

To increase oversight and transparency with respect to Medicare billing codes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

_____ introduced the following bill; which was read twice
and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To increase oversight and transparency with respect to
Medicare billing codes.

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 “Accountability for
5 Long Term Medicare Solvency Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. INCREASING OVERSIGHT AND TRANSPARENCY**
7 **WITH RESPECT TO MEDICARE BILLING**
8 **CODES.**

9 (a) HHS OIG STUDY AND REPORT.—

10 (1) STUDY.—The Inspector General of the De-
11 partment of Health and Human Services shall con-

1 duct a comprehensive study of the processes used by
2 the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for
3 adding, modifying, and removing billing codes under
4 the Medicare program under title XVIII of the So-
5 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.). Such
6 study shall include an analysis of—

7 (A) the level and types of data and anal-
8 ysis considered;

9 (B) trends in the number and types of
10 codes added, modified, removed, or revalued;

11 (C) areas or specialties with the highest
12 growth;

13 (D) efforts by the Centers for Medicare &
14 Medicaid Services to monitor effects on out-
15 comes, costs over time, and other issues.

16 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 12 months after
17 the date of enactment of this Act, the Inspector
18 General shall submit to Congress a report containing
19 the results of the study conducted under paragraph
20 (1), together with recommendations for such legisla-
21 tion and administrative action the Inspector General
22 determines appropriate to improve transparency and
23 oversight of the processes described in such para-
24 graph.

1 (b) ANNUAL REPORTING ON NEW MEDICARE BILL-
2 ING CODES.—Not later than June 1 of each year (begin-
3 ning with 2024), the Secretary of Health and Human
4 Services shall submit to Congress and make publicly avail-
5 able on the internet website of the Centers for Medicare
6 & Medicaid Services a report listing any billing codes
7 added under the Medicare program under title XVIII of
8 the Social Security Act during the preceding year, along
9 with the associated volume and expenditures for such
10 codes under the Medicare program.