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S. 157

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of services provided by nursing school clinics under State Medicaid programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. INOUYE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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. MEDICAID COVERAGE OF SERVICES PROVIDED 4 BY NURSING SCHOOL CLINICS.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1905(a) of the Social
6 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (24), by striking “and” at the
8 end:

9 (2) by redesignating paragraph (25) as para-
10 graph (26); and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (24), the following:

3 “(25) nursing school clinic services (as defined
4 in subsection (t)) furnished by or under the super-
5 vision of a nurse practitioner or a clinical nurse spe-
6 cialist (as defined in section 1861(aa)(5)), whether
7 or not the nurse practitioner or clinical nurse spe-
8 cialist is under the supervision of, or associated with,
9 a physician or other health care provider; and”.

10 (b) NURSING SCHOOL CLINIC SERVICES DEFINED.—
11 Section 1905 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d) is amended
12 by adding at the end the following:

13 “(t) The term ‘nursing school clinic services’ means
14 services provided by a health care facility operated by an
15 accredited school of nursing which provides primary care,
16 long-term care, mental health counseling, home health
17 counseling, home health care, or other health care services
18 which are within the scope of practice of a registered
19 nurse.”.

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 1902 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a) is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (a)(10)(C)(iv), by striking
23 “through (24)” and inserting “through (25)”; and
24 (2) in subsection (j), by striking “through (25)”
25 and inserting “through (26)”.

1 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 this Act shall be effective with respect to payments made
3 under a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security
4 Act for calendar quarters commencing with the first cal-
5 endar quarter beginning after the date of the enactment
6 of this Act.

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