

110TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 2853

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove the cap on disproportionate share adjustment percentages for certain rural hospitals.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 14, 2008

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

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## 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. REMOVAL OF THE CAP ON DISPROPORTIONATE**  
4 **SHARE ADJUSTMENT PERCENTAGES FOR**  
5 **CERTAIN RURAL HOSPITALS.**

6 Section 1886(d)(5)(F)(xiv)(II) of the Social Security  
7 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(F)(xiv)(II)) is amended by  
8 striking “12 percent” and inserting “12 percent. The pre-  
9 ceding sentence shall not apply to a hospital that, in the  
10 case of discharges occurring on or after April 1, 2004,

1 is classified as a rural referral center under subparagraph  
2 (C), that, in the case of discharges occurring on or after  
3 October 1, 2006, is classified as a medicare-dependant,  
4 small rural hospital under subparagraph (G)(iv), or that,  
5 in the case of discharges occurring on or after October  
6 1, 2008, is located in a rural area and has more than 100  
7 beds.”.

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