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112TH CONGRESS
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To repeal certain changes to contracts with Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. PRICE of Georgia (for himself, Mr. KIND, and Mr. ROSS of Arkansas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Quality Improvement
5 Organization Program Restoration Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF CHANGES TO CONTRACTS WITH MEDI-**
2 **CARE QIOS.**

3 Section 261 of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Ex-
4 tension Act of 2011 (relating to contracts with Quality
5 Improvement Organizations) is repealed and the provi-
6 sions of law amended by such section are restored as if
7 such section had never been enacted.

8 **SEC. 3. QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FUNDING.**

9 Section 1159 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
10 1320c-8) is amended—

11 (1) by striking “Expenses incurred” and insert-
12 ing “(a) Expenses incurred”; and

13 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
14 section:

15 “(b)(1) With respect to any 3-year period for which
16 3-year contracts are entered into under this part for con-
17 tract periods beginning on or after August 1, 2014, and
18 ending on or before July 31, 2021, the aggregate amount
19 of funds payable during any such 3-year period for such
20 contracts shall not exceed \$1,674,000,000.

21 “(2) For any contract period beginning on or after
22 August 1, 2014, at least 80 percent of the funds to carry
23 out this part shall be expended to directly fund the con-
24 tracts with utilization and quality control peer review or-
25 ganizations under section 1153(b).

1 “(3) In order to reduce spending of the amount in
2 paragraph (1) by \$330,000,000, for the period beginning
3 on October 1, 2014, and ending on September 30, 2021,
4 the aggregate amount of funds payable for contracts
5 under this part shall be reduced by \$330,000,000.”.