

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. 3604

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 29, 2006

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

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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 “Medicare Safe Needle  
5       Disposal Coverage Act of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. COVERAGE OF HOME NEEDLE DESTRUCTION DE-**  
2 **VICES AND DISPOSAL OF NEEDLES AND**  
3 **LANCETS THROUGH A SHARPS-BY-MAIL OR**  
4 **SIMILAR PROGRAM UNDER MEDICARE PART**  
5 **D.**

6 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1860D–2(e)(1)(B) of the  
7 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–102(e)(1)(B)) is  
8 amended by inserting after “regulations of the Secretary”  
9 the following: “and including devices approved for home  
10 use by the Food and Drug Administration for the safe  
11 and effective destruction of needles and the disposal of  
12 needles and lancets through a sharps-by-mail or similar  
13 program as medically appropriate based on volume of  
14 usage”.

15 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
16 subsection (a) shall take effect on January 1, 2007.

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