

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 1954

AN ACT

To provide for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small rural hospitals through 2014.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTION**
2 **ON SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR OUT-**
3 **PATIENT THERAPEUTIC SERVICES IN CRIT-**
4 **ICAL ACCESS AND SMALL RURAL HOSPITALS**
5 **THROUGH 2014.**

6 The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall
7 continue to apply through calendar year 2014 the enforce-
8 ment instruction described in the notice of the Centers for
9 Medicare & Medicaid Services entitled “Enforcement In-
10 struction on Supervision Requirements for Outpatient
11 Therapeutic Services in Critical Access and Small Rural
12 Hospitals for CY 2013”, dated November 1, 2012 (pro-
13 viding for an exception to the restatement and clarification
14 under the final rulemaking changes to the Medicare hos-
15 pital outpatient prospective payment system and calendar
16 year 2009 payment rates (published in the Federal Reg-
17 ister on November 18, 2008, 73 Fed. Reg. 68702 through
18 68704) with respect to requirements for direct supervision
19 by physicians for therapeutic hospital outpatient services).

Passed the Senate February 10, 2014.

Attest:

Secretary.

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