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H. R. 10185

To require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a temporary premium credit for enrollees in prescription drug plans under the Medicare program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 31, 2026

Mr. BILIRAKIS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Part D Premium Pro-
5 tection Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHING TEMPORARY MEDICARE PART D**
2 **PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN PREMIUM CRED-**
3 **IT.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—For 2027, the Secretary of Health
5 and Human Services shall establish a premium credit to
6 be administered with respect to enrollees in a prescription
7 drug plan under part D of title XVIII of the Social Secu-
8 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–101 et seq.) (in this section
9 referred to as a “PDP”) in accordance with the process
10 established under subsection (b) that is equal to the aver-
11 age premium reduction applicable with respect to enrollees
12 in participating PDPs under the Part D Premium Sta-
13 bilization Demonstration (as described in the announce-
14 ment issued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Serv-
15 ices on July 29, 2024) conducted pursuant to section 402
16 of the Social Security Amendments of 1967 (42 U.S.C.
17 1395b–1), as calculated with respect to rates of such pre-
18 miums in effect during the period beginning on January
19 1, 2025, and ending on the last day of 2026 for which
20 such data is available.

21 (b) ADMINISTRATION PROCESS.—The Secretary shall
22 establish a process under which—

23 (1) the Secretary notifies each PDP sponsor (as
24 defined in section 1860D–41(a) of the Social Secu-
25 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–151(a))) of the amount
26 of the credit under subsection (a);

1 (2) each such sponsor charges enrollees the pre-
2 mium amounts otherwise applicable with respect to
3 each such enrollee for 2027, minus the amount of
4 such credit, except that such a charge may not be
5 less than zero dollars; and

6 (3) the Secretary pays any credit amount sub-
7 tracted from the premium amount under paragraph
8 (2) with respect to an enrollee to the appropriate
9 PDP sponsor.

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