

119TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1703

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 21, 2026

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify payment rules for manual wheelchairs under part B of the Medicare program.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Choices for Increased
3 Mobility Act of 2026”.

4 **SEC. 2. SPECIAL RULES RELATED TO TREATMENT OF CER-**
5 **TAIN MANUAL WHEELCHAIRS UNDER THE**
6 **MEDICARE PROGRAM.**

7 Section 1834(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
8 1395m(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following
9 new paragraph:

10 “(24) SPECIAL RULES RELATED TO TREAT-
11 MENT OF CERTAIN MANUAL WHEELCHAIRS.—

12 “(A) REQUIREMENT TO ESTABLISH SEPA-
13 RATE HCPCS CODES FOR CERTAIN MANUAL
14 WHEELCHAIRS.—With respect to
15 ultralightweight manual wheelchairs payable
16 under this subsection furnished on or after Jan-
17 uary 1, 2028, the Secretary shall establish two
18 or more HCPCS codes, as determined appro-
19 priate by the Secretary, for the base of such a
20 wheelchair depending on the construction mate-
21 rial used in such base (with 1 or more such
22 codes for such a base with titanium or carbon
23 fiber construction material and 1 or more such
24 codes for such a base without such materials).

25 “(B) PAYMENT AND BENEFICIARY PRO-
26 TECTIONS.—

1 “(i) PAYMENT.—On or after January
2 1, 2028, in the case where an individual
3 purchases or rents from a supplier an
4 ultralightweight manual wheelchair that
5 has titanium or carbon fiber construction
6 material used in the base of such wheel-
7 chair, payment to the supplier shall be
8 made in the frequency and amount as
9 would otherwise be made under this sub-
10 section (as described in paragraph (1)(A))
11 for such wheelchair.

12 “(ii) BENEFICIARY CHARGES.—The
13 supplier may charge the individual the dif-
14 ference between the supplier’s actual
15 charge for such wheelchair and the pay-
16 ment amount described in clause (i) for
17 such wheelchair.

18 “(iii) BENEFICIARY PROTECTIONS.—
19 In order to inform an individual of the in-
20 dividual’s potential financial liability under
21 clause (ii), the Secretary may require a
22 supplier to issue a notice to the individual
23 (in a form and manner determined by the
24 Secretary) prior to the purchase or rental

- 1 of such ultralightweight manual wheelchair
- 2 by such individual.”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 20, 2026.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.