

119TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 8658

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## AN ACT

To amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to modify the notification requirement for emergency contract health services for certain beneficiaries, and for other purposes.

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 “Indian Health Service  
3 Emergency Claims Parity Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY CONTRACT**  
5 **HEALTH SERVICES.**

6       Section 406 of the Indian Health Care Improvement  
7 Act (25 U.S.C. 1646) is amended—

8           (1) by striking “With respect to” and inserting  
9       the following:

10       “(b) ELDERLY OR DISABLED INDIANS.—With re-  
11 spect to”; and

12           (2) by inserting before subsection (b) (as so  
13 designated) the following:

14       “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection  
15 (b), with respect to an Indian receiving emergency medical  
16 care or services from a non-Service provider or in a non-  
17 Service facility under the authority of this Act, the time  
18 limitation (as a condition of payment) for notifying the  
19 Service of such treatment or admission shall not be less  
20 than 15 days.”.

      Passed the House of Representatives September 14,  
2026.

Attest:

*Clerk.*



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