

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 216

To amend section 1128B of the Social Security Act to repeal the criminal penalty for fraudulent disposition of assets in order to obtain medicaid benefits added by section 217 of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 1997

Mr. LATOURETTE (for himself, Mr. GREEN, and Mr. LoBIONDO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REPEAL OF CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR FRAUDU-**
2 **LENT DISPOSITION OF ASSETS IN ORDER TO**
3 **OBTAIN MEDICAID BENEFITS.**

4 Effective as if included in the enactment of the
5 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of
6 1996, section 1128B(a) of the Social Security Act (42
7 U.S.C. 1320a–7b(a)), as amended by section 217 of the
8 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of
9 1996, is amended—

- 10 (1) by adding “or” at the end of paragraph (4);
11 (2) by striking “or” at the end of paragraph
12 (5) and inserting a period; and
13 (3) by striking paragraph (6).

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