

105TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4249

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 16, 1998

Mr. DEAL of Georgia (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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. MAKING ESTATE RECOVERY OPTIONAL UNDER**
4 **STATE MEDICAID PLANS.**

5 Section 1917(b)(1) of the Social Security Act (42
6 U.S.C. 1396p(b)(1)) is amended by striking “shall seek”
7 each place it appears and inserting “may seek”.

1 **SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2 The amendments made by section 1 shall take effect
3 as if included in the enactment of section 13612(a) of the
4 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993.

