106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2828

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require criminal background checks on drivers providing Medicaid medical assistance transportation services.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 9, 1999

Ms. Hooley of Oregon 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. REQUIRING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS
- 4 ON DRIVERS PROVIDING MEDICAL MEDICAL
- 5 ASSISTANCE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.
- 6 (a) In General.—Section 1903(i) of the Social Se-
- 7 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(i)) is amended by inserting
- 8 after paragraph (11) the following new paragraph:

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"(12) with respect to any amount expended for medical transportation services (other than ambulance and similar emergency medical transportation services) provided by an entity under a contract with the State unless there are assurances, satisfactory to the Secretary, that the entity has satisfactory arrangements to assure that—

"(A) any driver providing such services has undergone an appropriate criminal background check with an appropriate State law enforcement authority, which check shall include a matching of name and fingerprints of the driver against the information maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in its National Crime Information Center; and

- "(B) any individual who has been identified as having been convicted of any felony involving violence against any individual or any felony relating to the use, distribution, or manufacture of alcohol or drugs is not eligible to provide such services;".
- 22 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by 23 subsection (a) applies to transportation services furnished 24 on or after the first date of the first month that begins

- 1 more than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this
- 2 Act.

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