S. 1742

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 18, 1999

Mr. Crapo (for himself and Mr. Craig) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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. APPLICATION OF PPS TRANSITION PERIOD TO
- 4 CERTAIN SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1888(e)(2)(E) of the So-
- 6 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395yy(e)(2)(E)) is
- 7 amended—

1	(1) in clause (ii), by striking "In" and inserting
2	"Subject to clause (iii), in"; and
3	(2) by adding at the end the following:
4	"(iii) Special rule.—Clause (ii)
5	shall not apply (and the transition period
6	shall apply) to a skilled nursing facility
7	that—
8	"(I) received a medicare provider
9	number prior to August 30, 1995;
10	"(II) provided services to bene-
11	ficiaries under this title prior to such
12	date; and
13	"(III) elects to waive the applica-
14	tion of clause (ii).".
15	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
16	subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enact-
17	ment of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (Public Law
١Q	105_33, 111 Stat 951)

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