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To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of services provided by nursing school clinics under State Medicaid programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Inouye 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. MEDICAID COVERAGE OF SERVICES PROVIDED
- 4 BY NURSING SCHOOL CLINICS.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1905(a) of the Social Se-
- 6 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)) is amended—
- 7 (1) in paragraph (26), by striking "and" at the
- 8 end;
- 9 (2) by redesignating paragraph (27) as para-
- 10 graph (28); and

- 1 (3) by inserting after paragraph (26), the fol-
- 2 lowing:
- 3 "(27) nursing school clinic services (as defined
- 4 in subsection (v)) furnished by or under the super-
- 5 vision of a nurse practitioner or a clinical nurse spe-
- 6 cialist (as defined in section 1861(aa)(5)), whether
- 7 or not the nurse practitioner or clinical nurse spe-
- 8 cialist is under the supervision of, or associated with,
- 9 a physician or other health care provider; and".
- 10 (b) Nursing School Clinic Services Defined.—
- 11 Section 1905 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d)
- 12 is amended by adding at the end the following:
- 13 "(v) The term 'nursing school clinic services' means
- 14 services provided by a health care facility operated by an
- 15 accredited school of nursing which provides primary care,
- 16 long-term care, mental health counseling, home health
- 17 counseling, home health care, or other health care services
- 18 which are within the scope of practice of a registered
- 19 nurse.".
- 20 (c) Conforming Amendment.—Section 1902 of the
- 21 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a) is amended in sub-
- 22 section (a)(10)(C)(iv), by inserting "and (27)" after
- 23 "(24)".
- 24 (d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 25 this Act shall be effective with respect to payments made

- 1 under a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security
- $2\,$ Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) for calendar quarters com-
- 3 mencing with the first calendar quarter beginning after

4 the date of enactment of this Act.

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