

106TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 181

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 19, 1999

Mr. INOUE 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REMOVAL OF RESTRICTION THAT A PROFES-**
 2 **SIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST OR CLINICAL SOCIAL**
 3 **WORKER PROVIDE SERVICES IN A COM-**
 4 **PREHENSIVE OUTPATIENT REHABILITATION**
 5 **FACILITY TO A PATIENT ONLY UNDER THE**
 6 **CARE OF A PHYSICIAN.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861(cc)(2)(E) of the So-
 8 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(cc)(2)(E)) is amended
 9 by inserting before the semicolon “(except with respect to
 10 services provided by a professional psychologist or a clini-
 11 cal social worker)”.

12 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 13 subsection (a) shall apply to services provided on or after
 14 January 1, 2000.

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