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# H. R. 4154

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare Program of compression sleeves and stockings for the treatment of lymphedema.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2002

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## 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. COVERAGE OF COMPRESSION SLEEVES AND**  
4 **STOCKINGS FOR THE TREATMENT OF**  
5 **LYMPHEDEMA.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861(s)(9) of the Social  
7 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(9)) is amended—

8 (1) by inserting “(A)” after “(9)”;

1           (2) by adding “and” at the end; and

2           (3) by adding at the end the following:

3           “(B) compression sleeves or stockings for the  
4       treatment of lymphedema, including replacements if  
5       required because of a change in the patient’s phys-  
6       ical condition;”.

7       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
8       subsection (a) shall apply to items and services furnished  
9       on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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