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H. R. 453

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

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Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon (for herself, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. FROST, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. RUSH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REQUIRING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS**
2 **ON DRIVERS PROVIDING MEDICAID MEDICAL**
3 **ASSISTANCE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1903(i) of the Social Se-
5 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(i)) is amended by inserting
6 after paragraph (11) the following new paragraph:

7 “(12) with respect to any amount expended for
8 medical transportation services (other than ambu-
9 lance and similar emergency medical transportation
10 services) provided by an entity under a contract with
11 the State unless there are assurances, satisfactory to
12 the Secretary, that the entity has satisfactory ar-
13 rangements to assure that—

14 “(A) any driver providing such services has
15 undergone an appropriate criminal background
16 check with an appropriate State law enforce-
17 ment authority, which check shall include a
18 matching of name and fingerprints of the driver
19 against the information maintained by the Fed-
20 eral Bureau of Investigation in its National
21 Crime Information Center; and

22 “(B) any individual who has been identi-
23 fied as having been convicted of any felony in-
24 volving violence against any individual or any
25 felony relating to the use, distribution, or man-

1 manufacture of alcohol or drugs is not eligible to
2 provide such services;”.

3 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
4 subsection (a) applies to transportation services furnished
5 on or after the first date of the first month that begins
6 more than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this
7 Act.

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