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H. R. 4631

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 1, 2002

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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. CHANGE IN MEDICAID PAYMENTS TO AMER-**

4   **ICAN SAMOA.**

5   (a) PAYMENT OF REGULAR MATCHING RATE.—Sec-

6 tion 1905(b)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.

7 1396d(b)(2)) is amended by striking "the Northern Mar-

8 iana Islands, and American Samoa" and inserting "and

9 the Northern Mariana Islands".

1   (b) INCREASE IN PAYMENT CEILING.—Section 1108

2 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1308) is amended—

3   (1) in subsection (f), by striking "subsection

4   (g)" and inserting "subsections (g) and (h)"; and

5   (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-

6   section:

7 "(h) MEDICAID PAYMENTS TO AMERICAN SAMOA.—

8 Notwithstanding subsections (f) and (g), the total amount

9 certified by the Secretary under title XIX with respect to

10 a fiscal year for payment to American Samoa shall not

11 exceed—

12   "(1) for fiscal year 2003 $10,000,000; and

13   "(2) for each succeeding fiscal year the amount

14   provided in this subsection for the preceding fiscal

15   year increased by the percentage increase in the

16   medical care component of the consumer price index

17   for all urban consumers (as published by the Bureau

18   of Labor Statistics) for the twelve-month period end-

19   ing in March preceding the beginning of the fiscal

20   year, rounded to the nearest $10,000.".

21   (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by

22 this section shall take effect as of October 1, 2002, and

23 shall apply to fiscal years beginning on or after such date.

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