

107TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5236

To assure that enrollment in any Medicare prescription drug program is voluntary.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 25, 2002

Mr. STUPAK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and the Workforce, 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

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. ASSURING TOTALLY VOLUNTARY NATURE OF**

4 **ENROLLMENT IN ANY MEDICARE PRESCRIP-**

5 **TION DRUG PROGRAM.**

6 Enrollment in a prescription drug plan established

7 under title XVIII of the Social Security Act shall be totally

8 voluntary and no individual shall be required to enroll in

1 such a plan as part of any contract with any employer
2 or under any collective bargaining agreement or otherwise
3 (including any revision made to any benefit or pension
4 plan or agreement referred to in section 9701 of the Inter-
5 nal Revenue Code of 1986, relating to coal industry health
6 benefits).

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