H.R. 3434

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

November 4, 2003

Mr. Frank of Massachusetts 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

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,

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZING DEDUCTIONS OF PART B PRE-
MIUMS FROM SOCIAL SECURITY PAYMENTS
ONLY FOR MONTHS WHEN MEDICARE COV-
ERAGE PROVIDED.
(a) In General.—The second sentence of section
1840(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
1395s(a)(1)) is amended by striking the period and insert-
ing the following: ", except that any such deduction from
monthly benefits paid in a month shall only be for cov-
erage in such month (and not for a subsequent month).".
(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
subsection (a) shall apply to individuals for coverage peri-
ods (as defined in section 1838 of the Social Security Act,
42 U.S.C. 1395q) that begin more than 30 days after the
date of the enactment of this Act.