108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 5048

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare Program of annual screening pap smear and screening pelvic exams.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2004

Mr. Green of Texas 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,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Providing Annual Pap
- 5 Tests to Save Women's Lives Act of 2004".
- 6 SEC. 2. COVERAGE OF ANNUAL SCREENING PAP SMEAR
- 7 AND PELVIC EXAMS.
- 8 (a) IN GENERAL.—

- 1 (1) Annual screening pap smear.—Section
 2 1861(nn)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 3 1395x(nn)(1)) is amended by striking ", if the indi4 vidual involved" and all that follows before the pe5 riod and inserting "if the woman involved has not
 6 had such a test during the preceding year".
- 7 (2) Annual screening pelvic exam.—Sec-8 tion 1861(nn)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 9 U.S.C. 1395x(nn)(2)) is amended by striking "dur-10 ing the preceding 2 years, or during the preceding 11 year in the case of a woman described in paragraph 12 (3)," and inserting "during the preceding year,".
- 13 (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 14 1861(nn) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 15 1395x(nn)) is amended by striking paragraph (3).
- 16 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by 17 subsection (a) apply to items and services furnished on 18 or after January 1, 2005.

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