

108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5175

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to stabilize the amount
of the Medicare part B premium.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2004

Mr. CARSON of Oklahoma introduced the following bill; which was referred to
the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Com-
mittee 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 “Keep the Promise of
5 Medicare Act of 2004”.

6 **SEC. 2. STABILIZATION OF MEDICARE PART B PREMIUM.**

7 Section 1839(a)(3) of the Social Security Act (42
8 U.S.C. 1395r(a)(3)) is amended by adding at the end the
9 following new sentence: “Notwithstanding the preceding

1 sentences, the monthly premium rate determined under
2 this paragraph for each month in 2005 may not exceed
3 an amount equal to the monthly premium rate determined
4 under this paragraph for each month in 2004 adjusted
5 by the percentage change in the average Consumer Price
6 Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers
7 (CPI-W) for the third quarter of 2003 to the third quar-
8 ter of 2004.”.

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