

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 465

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to expand medicare coverage of certain self-injected biologicals.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 27, 2003

Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. REED, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. SMITH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Access to Innovation  
5       for Medicare Patients Act of 2003”.

6       **SEC. 2. MEDICARE COVERAGE OF SELF-INJECTED  
7       BIOLOGICALS.**

8       (a) COVERAGE.—

4 (A) in subparagraph (U), by striking  
5 “and” at the end;

6 (B) in subparagraph (V), by inserting  
7 “and” at the end; and

8 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
9 subparagraph:

10               “(W) a self-injected biological (which is ap-  
11               proved by the Food and Drug Administration) that  
12               is prescribed as a complete replacement for a drug  
13               or biological that would otherwise be described in  
14               subparagraph (A) or (B);”.

20 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
21 subsection (a) shall apply to biologicals furnished on or  
22 after January 1, 2004.

