H. R. 4606

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

December 16, 2005

Mr. NEY (for himself, Mr. CUELLAR, and Mr. LATOURETTE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 "Disproportionate
- 5 Share Hospital Assistance Act of 2005".

1	SEC. 2. ANNUAL CPI INCREASE IN MEDICAID DSH ALLOT-
2	MENTS.
3	(a) In General.—Section 1923(f)(3) of the Social
4	Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r-4(f)(3)) is amended—
5	(1) in subparagraph (C)—
6	(A) by amending the heading to read as
7	follows: "State DSH allotments for fiscal
8	YEAR 2004 AND THEREAFTER";
9	(B) by striking "and" at the end of clause
10	(i);
11	(C) by amending clause (ii) to read as fol-
12	lows:
13	"(ii) for fiscal year 2005 and for fiscal
14	year 2006 is equal to the DSH allotment
15	for the State for fiscal year 2004 under
16	this paragraph, notwithstanding subpara-
17	graph (B); and"; and
18	(D) by adding at the end the following new
19	clause:
20	"(iii) for each succeeding fiscal year is
21	equal to the DSH allotment for the State
22	for the previous fiscal year increased by
23	the percentage change in the consumer
24	price index for all urban consumers (all
25	items; U.S. city average) for the previous
26	fiscal year."; and

- 1 (2) by striking subparagraph (D).
- 2 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 3 subsection (a) shall apply to allotments for fiscal years be-

4 ginning with fiscal year 2007.

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