

109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4723

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend the 2006 open enrollment period for Medicare prescription drug plans and MA–PD plans through September 30, 2006.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2006

Mr. FORD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 “Medicare Prescription
5 Drug Benefit Enrollment Extension Act of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF THE 2006 OPEN ENROLLMENT PE-**
2 **RIOD FOR MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG**
3 **PLANS AND MA-PD PLANS.**

4 (a) EXTENSION OF OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOR
5 MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLANS.—Section
6 1860D–1(b)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
7 1395w–101(b)(2)(A)) is amended by inserting “, except
8 that such period shall continue through September 30,
9 2006” before the period.

10 (b) APPLICATION TO MA-PD PLANS.—Section
11 1851(e)(3)(B)(iii) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–
12 21(e)(3)(B)(iii)) is amended by inserting “, except that
13 in the case of an MA-PD plan, such period shall continue
14 though September 30, 2006” after “May 15, 2006”.

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