

109TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 2289

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the per resident payment floor for direct graduate medical education payments under the Medicare program.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 15, 2006

Mr. BUNNING 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. INCREASING TO 100 PERCENT OF THE LOCAL-**  
2 **ITY ADJUSTED NATIONAL AVERAGE PER**  
3 **RESIDENT AMOUNT THE PAYMENT FLOOR**  
4 **FOR DIRECT GRADUATE MEDICAL EDU-**  
5 **CATION PAYMENTS UNDER THE MEDICARE**  
6 **PROGRAM.**

7 Section 1886(h)(2)(D)(iii) of the Social Security Act  
8 (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(h)(2)(D)(iii)) is amended by striking  
9 “and for the cost reporting period beginning during fiscal  
10 year 2002 shall not be less than 85 percent” and inserting  
11 “, for cost reporting periods beginning during or after fis-  
12 cal year 2002 (and before fiscal year 2006) shall not be  
13 less than 85 percent, and for cost reporting periods begin-  
14 ning during or after fiscal year 2006 shall not be less than  
15 100 percent”.

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