

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 2853

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove the cap on disproportionate share adjustment percentages for certain rural hospitals.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 14, 2008

Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. VITTER) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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. REMOVAL OF THE CAP ON DISPROPORTIONATE**
4 **SHARE ADJUSTMENT PERCENTAGES FOR**
5 **CERTAIN RURAL HOSPITALS.**

6 Section 1886(d)(5)(F)(xiv)(II) of the Social Security
7 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(F)(xiv)(II)) is amended by
8 striking “12 percent” and inserting “12 percent. The pre-
9 ceding sentence shall not apply to a hospital that, in the
10 case of discharges occurring on or after April 1, 2004,

1 is classified as a rural referral center under subparagraph
2 (C), that, in the case of discharges occurring on or after
3 October 1, 2006, is classified as a medicare-dependant,
4 small rural hospital under subparagraph (G)(iv), or that,
5 in the case of discharges occurring on or after October
6 1, 2008, is located in a rural area and has more than 100
7 beds.”.

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