

One Hundred Eleventh Congress
of the
United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Tuesday,
the sixth day of January, two thousand and nine*

An Act

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to delay the date on which the accreditation requirement under the Medicare Program applies to suppliers of durable medical equipment that are pharmacies.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF MEDICARE DME ACCREDITATION DEAD-
LINE FOR CERTAIN PHARMACIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1834(a)(20)(F)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(a)(20)(F)(i)) is amended by inserting before the semicolon the following: “, except that the Secretary shall not require under this clause pharmacies to obtain such accreditation before January 1, 2010”.

(b) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in subsection (a) shall be construed as affecting the application of an accreditation requirement for pharmacies to qualify for bidding in a competitive acquisition area under section 1847 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–3).

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*