111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4917

To amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to prohibit mid-year changes in the formularies of Medicare Part D plans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 23, 2010

Mr. Schauer introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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. NO MID-YEAR FORMULARY CHANGES PER-
- 4 MITTED.
- 5 (a) In General.—Section 1860D-4(b)(3)(E) of the
- 6 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-104(b)(3)(E)) is
- 7 amended by inserting "and only at the beginning of a plan
- 8 year" before the period.

- 1 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 2 subsection (a) shall apply with respect to plan years begin-

3 ning on or after January 1, 2011.

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