

113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1333

To reinstate funding for the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 18, 2013

Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. NELSON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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Oriented Plan program.

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 “Increased Competition
5 for Consumers Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REINSTATEMENT OF FUNDING FOR THE CONSUMER**
7 **OPERATED AND ORIENTED PLAN PROGRAM.**

8 (a) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—The unobligated balance
9 of the funds transferred under subsection (b)(1) of section
10 644 of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (42

1 U.S.C. 18042 note) to the fund established under sub-
 2 section (a) of such section shall be transferred to the Con-
 3 sumer Operated and Oriented Plan program established
 4 under section 1322 of the Patient Protection and Afford-
 5 able Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18042) to remain available until
 6 expended.

7 (b) APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 1322 of the Patient
 8 Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18042) is
 9 amended by striking subsection (g) and inserting the fol-
 10 lowing:

11 “(g) APPROPRIATIONS.—There are hereby appro-
 12 priated the amount equal to the amount rescinded under
 13 section 644(b)(2) of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of
 14 2012.”.

15 (c) TIME FOR AWARDING LOANS AND GRANTS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1322(b)(2) of the
 17 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42
 18 U.S.C. 18042(b)(2)) is amended by striking sub-
 19 paragraph (D).

20 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made
 21 by paragraph (1) shall take effect as if enacted as
 22 part of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care
 23 Act (Public Law 111–148).

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