

**AMENDMENT**

**OFFERED BY M**\_\_\_\_.

Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_.** **SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

2       It is the sense of Congress that eliminating the option  
3 for States to project the health and long-term costs of in-  
4 dividuals living in the community as part of the determina-  
5 tion of whether such individuals are eligible for medical  
6 assistance under a State plan (or waiver of such plan)  
7 under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
8 1396 et seq.), in the same manner as the State may  
9 project the health and long-term costs of individuals who  
10 are residents of long-term care facilities, perpetuates insti-  
11 tutional bias and prevents older Americans and people  
12 with disabilities from living dignified lives in their homes  
13 and communities.

