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114TH CONGRESS  
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**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. COLLINS of New York introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Medicaid Directory of  
5 Caregivers Act” or the “Medicaid DOC Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIRING PUBLICATION OF FEE-FOR-SERVICE**  
2 **PROVIDER DIRECTORY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(a) of the Social Se-  
4 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)) is amended by inserting  
5 after paragraph (77) the following new paragraph:

6 “(78) provide that, not later than 180 days  
7 after the date of the enactment of this paragraph,  
8 in the case of a State plan that provides medical as-  
9 sistance on a fee-for-service basis or through a pri-  
10 mary care case-management system (as described in  
11 section 1915(b)(1)), the State shall publish (and up-  
12 date on at least a semiannual basis) on the Website  
13 of the State agency administering the State plan, a  
14 directory of the providers (including, at a minimum,  
15 primary and specialty care physicians) that received  
16 payment under the State plan in the preceding 6  
17 months that includes—

18 “(A) with respect to each such provider—

19 “(i) the name of the provider;

20 “(ii) the specialty of the provider;

21 “(iii) the address of the provider; and

22 “(iv) the telephone number of the pro-  
23 vider; and

24 “(B) with respect to any such provider  
25 participating in a primary care case-manage-  
26 ment system, information regarding—

1           “(i) whether the provider is accepting  
2           as new patients individuals who receive  
3           medical assistance under this title;

4           “(ii) the provider’s cultural and lin-  
5           guistic capabilities, including the languages  
6           spoken by the provider or by the skilled  
7           medical interpreter providing interpreta-  
8           tion services at the provider’s office; and

9           “(iii) whether the provider’s office is  
10          accessible for people with physical disabil-  
11          ities;”.

12          (b) EXCEPTION FOR STATE LEGISLATION.—In the  
13 case of a State plan under title XIX of the Social Security  
14 Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.), which the Secretary deter-  
15 mines requires State legislation in order for the respective  
16 plan to meet one or more additional requirements imposed  
17 by amendments made by this section, the respective plan  
18 shall not be regarded as failing to comply with the require-  
19 ments of such title solely on the basis of its failure to meet  
20 such an additional requirement before the first day of the  
21 first calendar quarter beginning after the close of the first  
22 regular session of the State legislature that begins after  
23 the date of enactment of this section. For purposes of the  
24 previous sentence, in the case of a State that has a 2-  
25 year legislative session, each year of the session shall be

- 1 considered to be a separate regular session of the State
- 2 legislature.