

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 4005
OFFERED BY M . _____**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Medicaid Reentry
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROMOTING STATE INNOVATIONS TO EASE TRANSI-**
5 **TIONS TO THE COMMUNITY FOR CERTAIN IN-**
6 **DIVIDUALS WHO ARE INMATES OF A PUBLIC**
7 **INSTITUTION.**

8 (a) STAKEHOLDER GROUP DEVELOPMENT OF BEST
9 PRACTICES; MEDICAID INNOVATION ACCELERATOR PRO-
10 GRAM.—

11 (1) STAKEHOLDER GROUP BEST PRACTICES.—

12 Not later than 6 months after the date of the enact-
13 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and
14 Human Services shall convene a stakeholder group
15 of representatives of managed care organizations,
16 Medicaid beneficiaries, the National Association of
17 Medicaid Directors, and other relevant representa-
18 tives from local, State, and Federal jail and prison

1 systems to develop best practices (and submit to the
2 Secretary and Congress a report on such best prac-
3 tices) for States to ease the health care-related tran-
4 sition of an individual who is an inmate of a public
5 institution from the public institution to the commu-
6 nity, including best practices for ensuring continuity
7 of health insurance coverage or coverage under the
8 State Medicaid plan under title XIX of the Social
9 Security Act, as applicable, and relevant social serv-
10 ices.

11 (2) MEDICAID INNOVATION ACCELERATOR PRO-
12 GRAM.—The Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
13 ices, through the Medicaid Innovation Accelerator
14 Program of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid
15 Services, shall work with States on innovative strate-
16 gies to help individuals who are inmates of public in-
17 stitutions and otherwise eligible for medical assist-
18 ance under the Medicaid program under title XIX of
19 the Social Security Act transition, with respect to
20 enrollment for medical assistance under such pro-
21 gram, seamlessly to the community.

22 (b) GUIDANCE ON INNOVATIVE SERVICE DELIVERY
23 SYSTEMS DEMONSTRATION PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES.—
24 Not later than one year after the date of the enactment
25 of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services,

1 through the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare &
2 Medicaid Services, shall issue a State Medicaid Director
3 letter, based on best practices developed under subsection
4 (a)(1), regarding opportunities to design demonstration
5 projects under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42
6 U.S.C. 1315) to improve care transitions for individuals
7 who are inmates of a public institution and who are other-
8 wise eligible to receive medical assistance under title XIX
9 of the such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.), including sys-
10 tems for, with respect to the 30-day period prior to the
11 day on which such individuals are expected to be released
12 from such institution

13 (1) providing assistance and education for en-
14 rollment under a State plan under the Medicaid pro-
15 gram under title XIX of the Social Security Act for
16 such individuals during such period; and

17 (2) health care services for such individuals
18 during such period; and

19 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing under title
20 XIX of the Social Security Act or any other provision of
21 law precludes a State from reclassifying or suspending
22 (rather than terminating) eligibility of an individual for
23 medical assistance under title XIX of the Social Security
24 Act while such individual is an inmate of a public institu-
25 tion.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to promote State innovations to ease transitions to the community for individuals who are inmates of a public institution and eligible for medical assistance under the Medicaid program.”.

