AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO COMMITTEE PRINT RELATING TO MEDI-CARE DENTAL, HEARING, AND VISION COV-ERAGE

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In lieu of the proposed recommendations, insert the following:

1	PART 4—MEDICARE DENTAL, HEARING, AND
2	VISION COVERAGE
3	SEC. 134401. PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR DENTAL AND
4	ORAL HEALTH CARE UNDER THE MEDICARE
5	PROGRAM.
6	(a) Coverage.—Section 1861(s)(2) of the Social Se-
7	curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(2)) is amended—
8	(1) in subparagraph (GG), by striking "and"
9	after the semicolon at the end;
10	(2) in subparagraph (HH), by striking the pe-
11	riod at the end and adding "; and"; and
12	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
13	paragraph:
14	"(II) dental and oral health services (as defined
15	in subsection (lll));".

1	(b) Dental and Oral Health Services De-
2	FINED.—Section 1861 of the Social Security Act (42
3	U.S.C. 1395x) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
4	lowing new subsection:
5	"(lll) Dental and Oral Health Services.—
6	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'dental and oral
7	health services' means items and services (other
8	than such items and services for which payment may
9	be made under part A as inpatient hospital services)
10	that are furnished during 2028 or a subsequent
11	year, for which coverage was not provided under
12	part B as of the date of the enactment of this sub-
13	section, and that are—
14	"(A) the preventive and screening services
15	described in paragraph (2) furnished by a doc-
16	tor of dental surgery or of dental medicine (as
17	described in subsection $(r)(2)$ or an oral health
18	professional (as defined in paragraph (4)); or
19	"(B) the basic treatments specified for
20	such year by the Secretary pursuant to para-
21	graph (3)(A) and the major treatments speci-
22	fied for such year by the Secretary pursuant to
23	paragraph (3)(B) furnished by such a doctor or
24	such a professional.

1	"(2) Preventive and screening serv-
2	ICES.—The preventive and screening services de-
3	scribed in this paragraph are the following:
4	"(A) Oral exams.
5	"(B) Dental cleanings.
6	"(C) Dental x-rays performed in the office
7	of a doctor or professional described in para-
8	$\operatorname{graph}(1)(A).$
9	"(D) Fluoride treatments.
10	"(3) Basic and major treatments.—For
11	2028 and each subsequent year, the Secretary shall
12	specify—
13	"(A) basic treatments (which may include
14	basic tooth restorations, basic periodontal serv-
15	ices, tooth extractions, and oral disease man-
16	agement services); and
17	"(B) major treatments (which may include
18	major tooth restorations, major periodontal
19	services, bridges, crowns, and root canals);
20	that shall be included as dental and oral health serv-
21	ices for such year.
22	"(4) Oral Health Professional.—The term
23	'oral health professional' means, with respect to den-
24	tal and oral health services, a health professional
25	(other than a doctor of dental surgery or of dental

1	medicine (as described in subsection $(r)(2)$) who is
2	licensed to furnish such services, acting within the
3	scope of such license, by the State in which such
4	services are furnished.".
5	(c) Payment; Coinsurance; and Limitations.—
6	(1) In General.—Section 1833(a)(1) of the
7	Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395l(a)(1)) is
8	amended—
9	(A) in subparagraph (N), by inserting
10	"and dental and oral health services (as defined
11	in section 1861(lll))" after "section
12	1861(hhh)(1))";
13	(B) by striking "and" before "(DD)"; and
14	(C) by inserting before the semicolon at
15	the end the following: "and (EE) with respect
16	to dental and oral health services (as defined in
17	section 1861(lll)), the amount paid shall be the
18	payment amount specified under section
19	1834(z)".
20	(2) Payment and limits specified.—Section
21	1834 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m)
22	is amended by adding at the end the following new
23	subsection:
24	"(z) Payment and Limits for Dental and Oral
25	HEALTH SERVICES.—

1	"(1) In General.—The payment amount
2	under this part for dental and oral health services
3	(as defined in section 1861(lll)) shall be, subject to
4	paragraph (3), the applicable percent (specified in
5	paragraph (2)) of the lesser of—
6	"(A) the actual charge for the service; or
7	"(B) the amount determined under the
8	payment basis determined under section 1848
9	for the service, or, in lieu of such amount, if de-
10	termined appropriate by the Secretary, an
11	amount specified by the Secretary for such
12	service under a fee schedule determined appro-
13	priate by the Secretary, taking into account fee
14	schedules for such services—
15	"(i) under the TRICARE program
16	under chapter 55 of title 10 of the United
17	States Code;
18	"(ii) under the health insurance pro-
19	gram under chapter 89 of title 5 of such
20	Code;
21	"(iii) under State plans (or waivers of
22	such plans) under title XIX;
23	"(iv) under Medicare Advantage plans
24	under part C;

1	"(v) established by the Secretary of
2	Veterans Affairs; and
3	"(vi) established by other health care
4	payers.
5	"(2) Applicable percent.—For purposes of
6	paragraph (1), the applicable percent specified in
7	this paragraph is, with respect to dental and oral
8	health services (as defined in section 1861(lll)) fur-
9	nished in a year—
10	"(A) that are preventive and screening
11	services described in paragraph (2) or basic
12	treatments specified for such year pursuant to
13	paragraph (3)(A) of such section, 80 percent;
14	and
15	"(B) that are major treatments specified
16	for such year pursuant to paragraph (3)(B) of
17	such section—
18	"(i) in the case such services are fur-
19	nished during 2028, 10 percent;
20	"(ii) in the case such services are fur-
21	nished during 2029 or a subsequent year
22	before 2032, the applicable percent speci-
23	fied under this subparagraph for the pre-
24	vious year, increased by 10 percentage
25	points; and

1	"(iii) in the case such services are fur-
2	nished during 2032 or a subsequent year,
3	50 percent.
4	"(3) Limitations.—With respect to dental and
5	oral health services that are—
6	"(A) preventive and screening oral exams,
7	payment may be made under this part for not
8	more than two such exams during a 12-month
9	period;
10	"(B) dental cleanings, payment may be
11	made under this part for not more than two
12	such cleanings during a 12-month period; and
13	"(C) not described in subparagraph (A) or
14	(B), payment may be made under this part only
15	at such frequencies and under such cir-
16	cumstances determined appropriate by the Sec-
17	retary.
18	"(4) Use of bundled payments.—The Sec-
19	retary may make payment for dentures and associ-
20	ated professional services, and for any other dental
21	and oral health services, as bundled payments as the
22	Secretary determines appropriate.
23	"(5) Limitation on Judicial Review.—There
24	shall be no administrative or judicial review under
25	section 1869 or otherwise of—

1	"(A) the determination of payment
2	amounts under this subsection for dental and
3	oral health services and under subsection (h)(6)
4	or subsection (z)(4) for dentures;
5	"(B) the determination of what services
6	are basic and major services under subpara-
7	graphs (A) and (B) of section 1861(lll)(3); or
8	"(C) the determination of the frequency
9	and circumstance limitations for dental and oral
10	health services under paragraph (3)(C).".
11	(d) Payment Under Physician Fee Schedule.—
12	(1) In general.—Section 1848(j)(3) of the
13	Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-4(j)(3)) is
14	amended by inserting " $(2)(II)$," before " (3) ".
15	(2) Exclusion from mips.—Section
16	1848(q)(1)(C)(ii) of the Social Security Act (42
17	U.S.C. 1395w-4(q)(1)(C)(ii)) is amended—
18	(A) in subclause (II), by striking "or" at
19	the end;
20	(B) in subclause (III), by striking the pe-
21	riod at the end and inserting "; or"; and
22	(C) by adding at the end the following new
23	subclause:
24	"(IV) with respect to 2028 and
25	each subsequent year, is a doctor of

1	dental surgery or of dental medicine
2	(as described in section $1861(r)(2)$) or
3	is an oral health professional (as de-
4	fined in section 1861(lll)(4)).".
5	(3) Inclusion of oral health profes-
6	SIONALS AS CERTAIN PRACTITIONERS.—Section
7	1842(b)(18)(C) of the Social Security Act (42
8	U.S.C. 1395u(b)(18)(C)) is amended by adding at
9	the end the following new clause:
10	"(vii) With respect to 2028 and each subse-
11	quent year, an oral health professional (as defined in
12	section 1861(lll)(4)).".
13	(e) Dentures.—
14	(1) In general.—Section 1861(s)(8) of the
15	Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(8)) is
16	amended—
17	(A) by striking "(other than dental)"; and
18	(B) by inserting "and excluding dental, ex-
19	cept for a full or partial set of dentures (as de-
20	scribed in section 1834(h)(6)) furnished on or
21	after January 1, 2028" after "colostomy care".
22	(2) Special payment rules.—
23	(A) Limitations.—Section 1834(h) of the
24	Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(h)) is

1	amended by adding at the end the following
2	new paragraph:
3	"(6) Special payment rule for den-
4	TURES.—Payment may be made under this part
5	with respect to an individual for dentures—
6	"(A) not more than once during any 5-year
7	period (except in the case that a doctor de-
8	scribed in section 1861(lll)(1)(A) determines
9	such dentures do not fit the individual); and
10	"(B) only to the extent that such dentures
11	are furnished pursuant to a written order of
12	such a doctor or professional.".
13	(B) Application of competitive acqui-
14	SITION.—
15	(i) IN GENERAL.—Section
16	1834(h)(1)(H) of the Social Security Act
17	(42 U.S.C. 1395m(h)(1)(H)) is amended—
18	(I) in the subparagraph heading,
19	by inserting ", DENTURES" after
20	"ORTHOTICS";
21	(II) by inserting ", of dentures
22	described in paragraph (2)(D) of such
23	section," after "2011,"; and
24	(III) in clause (i), by inserting ",
25	such dentures" after "orthotics".

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1	(ii) Conforming amendment.—Sec-
2	tion 1847(a)(2) of the Social Security Act
3	(42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(a)(2)) is amended by
4	adding at the end the following new sub-
5	paragraph:
6	"(D) Dentures.—Dentures described in
7	section 1861(s)(8) for which payment would
8	otherwise be made under section 1834(h).".
9	(iii) Exemption of certain items
10	FROM COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION.—Sec-
11	tion 1847(a)(7) of the Social Security Act
12	(42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(a)(7)) is amended by
13	adding at the end the following new sub-
14	paragraph:
15	"(C) CERTAIN DENTURES.—Those items
16	and services described in paragraph $(2)(D)$ if
17	furnished by a physician or other practitioner
18	(as defined by the Secretary) to the physician's
19	or practitioner's own patients as part of the
20	physician's or practitioner's professional serv-
21	ice.".
22	(f) Exclusion Modifications.—Section 1862(a) of
23	the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395y(a)) is amend-
24	ed—
25	(1) in paragraph (1)—

1	(A) in subparagraph (O), by striking
2	"and" at the end;
3	(B) in subparagraph (P), by striking the
4	semicolon at the end and inserting ", and"; and
5	(C) by adding at the end the following new
6	subparagraph:
7	"(Q) in the case of dental and oral health serv-
8	ices (as defined in section 1861(lll)) that are preven-
9	tive and screening services described in paragraph
10	(2) of such section, which are furnished more fre-
11	quently than provided under section $1834(z)(3)$ or
12	under circumstances other than circumstances deter-
13	mined appropriate under subparagraph (C) of such
14	section;"; and
15	(2) in paragraph (12), by inserting before the
16	semicolon at the end the following: "and except that
17	payment may be made under part B for dental and
18	oral health services that are covered under section
19	1861(s)(2)(II) and for dentures under section
20	1861(s)(8)".
21	(g) CERTAIN NON-APPLICATION.—
22	(1) In General.—Paragraphs (1) and (4) of
23	section 1839(a) of the Social Security Act (42
24	U.S.C. 1395r(a)) are amended by adding at the end
25	of each such paragraphs the following: "In applying

1	this paragraph there shall not be taken into account
2	benefits and administrative costs attributable to the
3	amendments made by section 134401 (other than
4	subsection (g)) of An Act to provide for reconcili-
5	ation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 14 and the
6	Government contribution under section 1844(a)(5)".
7	(2) Payment.—Section 1844(a) of such Act
8	(42 U.S.C. 1395w(a)) is amended—
9	(A) in paragraph (4), by striking the pe-
10	riod at the end and inserting "; plus";
11	(B) by adding at the end the following new
12	paragraph:
13	"(5) a Government contribution equal to the
14	amount that is estimated to be payable for benefits
15	and related administrative costs incurred that are
16	attributable to the amendments made by section
17	134401 (other than subsection (g)) of the An Act to
18	provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S.
19	Con. Res. 14."; and
20	(C) in the flush matter at the end, by
21	striking "paragraph (4)" and inserting "para-
22	graphs (4) and (5)".
23	(h) Implementation.—
24	(1) Funding.—

1	(A) In General.—In addition to amounts
2	otherwise available, the Secretary of Health and
3	Human Services (in this subsection referred to
4	as the "Secretary") shall provide for the trans-
5	fer from the Federal Supplementary Medical
6	Insurance Trust Fund under section 1841 of
7	the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395t) to
8	the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
9	Program Management Account of—
10	(i) \$20,000,000 \$ for each of fiscal
11	years 2022 through 2028 for purposes of
12	implementing the amendments made by
13	this section; and
14	(ii) such sums as determined appro-
15	priate by the Secretary for each subse-
16	quent fiscal year for purposes of admin-
17	istering the provisions of such amend-
18	ments.
19	(B) AVAILABILITY AND ADDITIONAL USE
20	OF FUNDS.—Funds transferred pursuant to
21	subparagraph (A) shall remain available until
22	expended and may be used, in addition to the
23	purpose specified in subparagraph (A)(i), to im-
24	plement the amendments made by sections
25	134402 and 134403.

1	(2) Administration.—Notwithstanding any
2	other provision of law, the Secretary may implement,
3	by program instruction or otherwise, any of the pro-
4	visions of, or amendments made by, this section.
5	(3) Paperwork reduction act.—Chapter 35
6	of title 44, United States Code, shall not apply to
7	the provisions of, or the amendments made by, this
8	section.
9	SEC. 134402. PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR HEARING CARE
10	UNDER THE MEDICARE PROGRAM.
11	(a) Provision of Aural Rehabilitation and
12	TREATMENT SERVICES BY QUALIFIED AUDIOLOGISTS.—
13	Section 1861(ll)(3) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
14	1395x(ll)(3)) is amended by inserting "(and, beginning
15	October 1, 2023, such aural rehabilitation and treatment
16	services)" after "assessment services".
17	(b) Coverage of Hearing Aids.—
18	(1) Inclusion of hearing aids as pros-
19	THETIC DEVICES.—Section 1861(s)(8) of the Social
20	Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(8)) is amended by
21	inserting ", and including hearing aids (as described
22	in section $1834(h)(7)$) furnished on or after October
23	1, 2023, to individuals diagnosed with profound or
24	severe hearing loss" before the semicolon at the end.

1	(2) Payment limitations for hearing
2	AIDS.—Section 1834(h) of the Social Security Act
3	(42 U.S.C. 1395m(h)), as amended by section
4	134401(e)(2)(A), is further amended by adding at
5	the end the following new paragraph:
6	"(7) Limitations for hearing aids.—
7	"(A) In general.—Payment may be
8	made under this part with respect to an indi-
9	vidual, with respect to hearing aids furnished
10	on or after October 1, 2023—
11	"(i) not more than once during a 5-
12	year period;
13	"(ii) only for types of such hearing
14	aids that are not over-the-counter hearing
15	aids (as defined in section 520(q)(1) of the
16	Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act)
17	and that are determined appropriate by
18	the Secretary; and
19	"(iii) only if furnished pursuant to a
20	written order of a physician or qualified
21	audiologist (as defined in section
22	1861(ll)(4)(B)).
23	"(B) Limitation on Judicial Review.—
24	There shall be no administrative or judicial re-
25	view under section 1869 or otherwise of—

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1	"(i) the determination of the types of
2	hearing aids paid for under subparagraph
3	(A)(ii); or
4	"(ii) the determination of fee schedule
5	rates for hearing aids described in this
6	paragraph.".
7	(3) Application of competitive acquisi-
8	TION.—
9	(A) In General.—Section 1834(h)(1)(H)
10	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
11	1395m(h)(1)(H)), as amended by section
12	134401(e)(2)(B)(i), is further amended—
13	(i) in the header, by inserting ",
14	HEARING AIDS" after "DENTURES";
15	(ii) by inserting ", of hearing aids de-
16	scribed in paragraph (2)(E) of such sec-
17	tion," after "paragraph (2)(D) of such sec-
18	tion"; and
19	(iii) in clause (i), by inserting ", such
20	hearing aids" after "such dentures".
21	(B) Conforming Amendment.—
22	(i) In general.—Section 1847(a)(2)
23	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
24	1395w-3(a)(2)), as amended by section
25	134401(e)(2)(B)(ii), is further amended by

1	adding at the end the following new sub-
2	paragraph:
3	"(E) Hearing aids de-
4	scribed in section 1861(s)(8) for which payment
5	would otherwise be made under section
6	1834(h).".
7	(ii) Exemption of certain items
8	FROM COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION.—Sec-
9	tion 1847(a)(7) of the Social Security Act
10	(42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(a)(7)), as amended
11	by section 134401(e)(2)(B)(iii), is further
12	amended by adding at the end the fol-
13	lowing new subparagraph:
14	"(D) CERTAIN HEARING AIDS.—Those
15	items and services described in paragraph
16	(2)(E) if furnished by a physician or other
17	practitioner (as defined by the Secretary) to the
18	physician's or practitioner's own patients as
19	part of the physician's or practitioner's profes-
20	sional service.".
21	(4) Inclusion of audiologists as certain
22	PRACTITIONERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENT ON AN AS-
23	SIGNMENT-RELATED BASIS.—Section
24	1842(b)(18)(C) of the Social Security Act (42
25	U.S.C. 1395u(b)(18)(C)), as amended by section

1	134401(d)(4), is further amended by adding at the
2	end the following new clause:
3	"(viii) Beginning October 1, 2023, a
4	qualified audiologist (as defined in section
5	1861(ll)(4)(B)).".
6	(c) Exclusion Modification.—Section 1862(a)(7)
7	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395y(a)(7)) is
8	amended by inserting "(except such hearing aids or exami-
9	nations therefor as described in and otherwise allowed
10	under section 1861(s)(8))" after "hearing aids or exami-
11	nations therefor".
12	(d) CERTAIN NON-APPLICATION.—
13	(1) In general.—The last sentence of section
14	1839(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
15	1395r(a)(1)), as added by section $134401(g)(1)$, is
16	amended by striking "section 134401 (other than
17	subsection (g))" and inserting "sections 134401
18	(other than subsection (g)), 134402 (other than sub-
19	section (d))".
20	(2) Payment.—Paragraph (4) of section
21	1844(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w(a)), as added
22	by section 134401(g)(2), is amended by striking
23	"section 134401 (other than subsection (g))" and
24	inserting "sections 134401 (other than subsection
25	(g)), 134402 (other than subsection (d))".

1	(e) IMPLEMENTATION.—
2	(1) Funding.—
3	(A) In general.—In addition to amounts
4	otherwise available, the Secretary of Health and
5	Human Services (in this subsection referred to
6	as the "Secretary") shall provide for the trans-
7	fer from the Federal Supplementary Medical
8	Insurance Trust Fund under section 1841 of
9	the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395t) to
10	the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
11	Program Management Account of—
12	(i) \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal
13	years 2022 through 2023 for purposes of
14	implementing the amendments made by
15	this section; and
16	(ii) such sums as determined appro-
17	priate by the Secretary for each subse-
18	quent fiscal year for purposes of admin-
19	istering the provisions of such amend-
20	ments.
21	(B) AVAILABILITY AND ADDITIONAL USE
22	OF FUNDS.—Funds transferred pursuant to
23	subparagraph (A) shall remain available until
24	expended and may be used, in addition to the
25	purpose specified in subparagraph (A)(i), to im-

1	plement the amendments made by sections
2	134401 and 134403.
3	(2) Administration.—Notwithstanding any
4	other provision of law, the Secretary may implement,
5	by program instruction or otherwise, any of the pro-
6	visions of, or amendments made by, this section.
7	(3) Paperwork reduction act.—Chapter 35
8	of title 44, United States Code, shall not apply to
9	the provisions of, or the amendments made by, this
10	section.
11	SEC. 134403. PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR VISION CARE
12	UNDER THE MEDICARE PROGRAM.
13	(a) Coverage.—Section 1861(s)(2) of the Social Se-
14	curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(2)), as amended by section
15	134401(a), is further amended—
16	(1) in subparagraph (HH), by striking "and"
17	(1) 11 star paragraph (111), 13, 111113
17	after the semicolon at the end;
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	after the semicolon at the end;
18	after the semicolon at the end; (2) in subparagraph (II), by striking the period
18 19	after the semicolon at the end; (2) in subparagraph (II), by striking the period at the end and adding "; and"; and
18 19 20	after the semicolon at the end; (2) in subparagraph (II), by striking the period at the end and adding "; and"; and (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
18 19 20 21	after the semicolon at the end; (2) in subparagraph (II), by striking the period at the end and adding "; and"; and (3) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
18 19 20 21 22	after the semicolon at the end; (2) in subparagraph (II), by striking the period at the end and adding "; and"; and (3) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph: "(JJ) vision services (as defined in subsection

- 1 by section 134401(b), is further amended by adding at
- 2 the end the following new subsection:
- 3 "(mmm) Vision Services.—The term 'vision serv-
- 4 ices' means—
- 5 "(1) routine eye examinations to determine the
- 6 refractive state of the eyes, including procedures per-
- 7 formed during the course of such examination; and
- 8 "(2) contact lens fitting services;
- 9 furnished on or after October 1, 2022, by or under the
- 10 direct supervision of an ophthalmologist or optometrist
- 11 who is legally authorized to furnish such examinations,
- 12 procedures, or fitting services (as applicable) under State
- 13 law (or the State regulatory mechanism provided by State
- 14 law) of the State in which the examinations, procedures,
- 15 or fitting services are furnished.".
- 16 (c) Payment Limitations.—Section 1834 of the
- 17 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m), as amended by
- 18 section 134401(c)(2), is further amended by adding at the
- 19 end the following new subsection:
- 20 "(aa) Limitation for Vision Services.—With re-
- 21 spect to vision services (as defined in section 1861(mmm))
- 22 and an individual, payment may be made under this part
- 23 for only 1 routine eye examination described in paragraph
- 24 (1) of such section and 1 contact lens fitting service de-

- 1 scribed in paragraph (2) of such section during a 2-year
- 2 period.".
- 3 (d) Payment Under Physician Fee Schedule.—
- 4 Section 1848(j)(3) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
- 5 1395w-4(j)(3)), as amended by section 134401(d)(1), is
- 6 further amended by inserting "(2)(JJ)," before "(3)".
- 7 (e) Coverage of Conventional Eyeglasses and
- 8 Contact Lenses.—
- 9 (1) In General.—Section 1861(s)(8) of the
- Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(8)), as
- amended by section 134402(b)(1), is further amend-
- ed by striking ", and including one pair of conven-
- tional eyeglasses or contact lenses furnished subse-
- quent to each cataract surgery with insertion of an
- intraocular lens" and inserting ", including one pair
- of conventional eyeglasses or contact lenses fur-
- 17 nished subsequent to each cataract surgery with in-
- sertion of an intraocular lens, if furnished before Oc-
- tober 1, 2022, and including conventional eyeglasses
- or contact lenses (as described in section
- 21 1834(h)(8)), whether or not furnished subsequent to
- such a surgery, if furnished on or after October 1,
- 23 2022".
- 24 (2) Conforming Amendment.—Section
- 25 1842(b)(11)(A) of the Social Security Act (42

1	U.S.C. $1395u(b)(11)(A)$) is amended by inserting
2	"furnished prior to October 1, 2022," after "relating
3	to them,".
4	(f) Special Payment Rules for Eyeglasses and
5	CONTACT LENSES.—
6	(1) Limitations.—Section 1834(h) of the So-
7	cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(h)), as amended
8	by section $134401(e)(2)(A)$ and section
9	134402(b)(2), is further amended by adding at the
10	end the following new paragraph:
11	"(8) Payment limitations for eyeglasses
12	AND CONTACT LENSES.—
13	"(A) In general.—With respect to eye-
14	glasses and contact lenses furnished to an indi-
15	vidual on or after October 1, 2022, subject to
16	subparagraph (B), payment may be made under
17	this part only—
18	"(i) during a 2-year period, for either
19	1 pair of eyeglasses (including lenses and
20	frames) or not more than a 2-year supply
21	of contact lenses;
22	"(ii) with respect to amounts attrib-
23	utable to the lenses and frames of such a
24	pair of everlasses or amounts attributable

1	to such a 2-year supply of contact lenses,
2	in an amount not greater than—
3	"(I) for a pair of eyeglasses fur-
4	nished in, or a 2-year supply of con-
5	tact lenses beginning in, 2022—
6	"(aa) \$85 for the lenses of
7	such pair of eyeglasses and \$85
8	for the frames of such pair of
9	eyeglasses; or
10	"(bb) \$85 for such 2-year
11	supply of contact lenses; and
12	"(II) for the lenses and frames of
13	a pair of eyeglasses furnished in, or a
14	2-year supply of contact lenses begin-
15	ning in, a subsequent year, the dollar
16	amounts specified under this subpara-
17	graph for the previous year, increased
18	by the percentage change in the con-
19	sumer price index for all urban con-
20	sumers (United States city average)
21	for the 12-month period ending with
22	June of the previous year;
23	"(iii) if furnished pursuant to a writ-
24	ten order of a physician described in sec-
25	tion 1861(lll); and

1	"(iv) if during the 2-year period de-
2	scribed in clause (i), the individual did not
3	already receive (as described in subpara-
4	graph (B)) one pair of conventional eye-
5	glasses or contact lenses subsequent to a
6	cataract surgery with insertion of an intra-
7	ocular lens furnished during such period.
8	"(B) Exception.—With respect to a 2-
9	year period described in subparagraph (A)(i), in
10	the case of an individual who receives cataract
11	surgery with insertion of an intraocular lens,
12	notwithstanding subparagraph (A), payment
13	may be made under this part for one pair of
14	conventional eyeglasses or contact lenses fur-
15	nished subsequent to such cataract surgery dur-
16	ing such period.
17	"(C) Limitation on Judicial Review.—
18	There shall be no administrative or judicial re-
19	view under section 1869 or otherwise of—
20	"(i) the determination of the types of
21	eyeglasses and contact lenses covered
22	under this paragraph; or
23	"(ii) the determination of fee schedule
24	rates under this subsection for eyeglasses
25	and contact lenses.".

1	(2) Application of competitive acquisi-
2	TION.—
3	(A) In General.—Section 1834(h)(1)(H)
4	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
5	1395m(h)(1)(H)), as amended by section
6	134401(e)(2)(B)(i) and section
7	134402(b)(3)(A), is further amended—
8	(i) in the header by inserting ", EYE-
9	GLASSES, AND CONTACT LENSES" after
10	"HEARING AIDS";
11	(ii) by inserting "and of eyeglasses
12	and contact lenses described in paragraph
13	(2)(F) of such section," after "paragraph
14	(2)(E) of such section,"; and
15	(iii) in clause (i), by inserting ", or
16	such eyeglasses and contact lenses" after
17	"such hearing aids".
18	(B) Conforming Amendment.—
19	(i) In General.—Section 1847(a)(2)
20	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
21	1395w-3(a)(2)), as amended by section
22	134401(e)(2)(B)(ii) and section
23	134402(b)(3)(B)(i), is further amended by
24	adding at the end the following new sub-
25	paragraph:

1	"(F) EYEGLASSES AND CONTACT
2	LENSES.—Eyeglasses and contact lenses de-
3	scribed in section 1861(s)(8) for which payment
4	would otherwise be made under section
5	1834(h).".
6	(ii) Exemption of certain items
7	FROM COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION.—Sec-
8	tion 1847(a)(7) of the Social Security Act
9	(42 U.S.C. 1395w-3(a)(7)), as amended
10	by section 134401(e)(2)(B)(iii) and section
11	134402(b)(3)(B)(ii), is further amended by
12	adding at the end the following new sub-
13	paragraph:
14	"(E) CERTAIN EYEGLASSES AND CONTACT
15	LENSES.—Those items and services described in
16	paragraph (2)(F) if furnished by a physician or
17	other practitioner (as defined by the Secretary)
18	to the physician's or practitioner's own patients
19	as part of the physician's or practitioner's pro-
20	fessional service.".
21	(g) Exclusion Modifications.—Section 1862(a)
22	of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395y(a)), as
23	amended by section 134401(f), is further amended—
24	(1) in paragraph (1)—

1	(A) in subparagraph (P), by striking
2	"and" at the end;
3	(B) in subparagraph (Q), by striking the
4	semicolon at the end and inserting ", and"; and
5	(C) by adding at the end the following new
6	subparagraph:
7	"(R) in the case of vision services (as defined
8	in section 1861(mmm)) that are routine eye exami-
9	nations and contact lens fitting services (as de-
10	scribed in paragraph (1) or (2), respectively, of such
11	section), which are furnished more frequently than
12	once during a 2-year period;"; and
13	(2) in paragraph (7)—
14	(A) by inserting "(other than such an ex-
15	amination that is a vision service that is cov-
16	ered under section $1861(s)(2)(JJ)$)" after "eye
17	examinations"; and
18	(B) by inserting "(other than such a proce-
19	dure that is a vision service that is covered
20	under section $1861(s)(2)(JJ)$)" after "refractive
21	state of the eyes".
22	(h) CERTAIN NON-APPLICATION.—
23	(1) In general.—The last sentence of section
24	1839(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
25	1395r(a)(1)), as added by section $134401(g)(1)$ and

1	amended by section 134402(d)(1), is further amend-
2	ed by inserting ", and 134403 (other than sub-
3	section (h))" after "134402 (other than subsection
4	(d))".
5	(2) Payment.—Paragraph (4) of section
6	1844(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w(a)), as added
7	by section $134401(g)(2)$ and amended by section
8	134402(d)(2), is further amended by inserting ",
9	and 134403 (other than subsection (h))" after
10	"134402 (other than subsection (d))".
11	(i) Implementation.—
12	(1) Funding.—
13	(A) In general.—In addition to amounts
14	otherwise available, the Secretary of Health and
15	Human Services (in this subsection referred to
16	as the "Secretary") shall provide for the trans-
17	fer from the Federal Supplementary Medical
18	Insurance Trust Fund under section 1841 of
19	the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395t) to
20	the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
21	Program Management Account of—
22	(i) \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal
23	years 2022 and 2023 for purposes of im-
24	plementing the amendments made by this
25	section; and

1	(ii) such sums as determined appro-
2	priate by the Secretary for each subse-
3	quent fiscal year for purposes of admin-
4	istering the provisions of such amend-
5	ments.
6	(B) AVAILABILITY AND ADDITIONAL USE
7	OF FUNDS.—Funds transferred pursuant to
8	subparagraph (A) shall remain available until
9	expended and may be used, in addition to the
10	purpose specified in subparagraph (A)(i), to im-
11	plement the amendments made by sections
12	134401 and 134402.
13	(2) Administration.—Notwithstanding any
14	other provision of law, the Secretary may implement,
15	by program instruction or otherwise, any of the pro-
16	visions of, or amendments made by, this section.
17	(3) Paperwork reduction act.—Chapter 35
18	of title 44, United States Code, shall not apply to
19	the provisions of, or the amendments made by, this
20	section.

