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AMENDMENT

OFFERED BY MS. Schakowsky

At the end of title V of the bill, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 505. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON LOWERING THE COST**
2 **OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.**

3 It is the sense of the Congress that the Secretary of
4 Health and Human Services should commit to engaging
5 with the House of Representatives and the Senate to take
6 administrative actions and enact legislative changes
7 that—

8 (1) will lower the cost of prescription drugs for
9 consumers and reduce the burden of such cost on
10 taxpayers; and

11 (2) in lowering such cost, will—

12 (A) balance the need to encourage innova-
13 tion with the need to improve affordability; and

14 (B) strive to increase competition in the
15 pharmaceutical market, prevent anticompetitive
16 behavior, and promote the timely availability of
17 affordable, high-quality generic drugs and
18 biosimilars.

