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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

Mr. WALBERG (for himself and Mr. WELCH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
SECTION 1. CLARIFYING AUTHORITY OF STATE MEDICAID FRAUD AND ABUSE CONTROL UNITS TO INVESTIGATE AND PROSECUTE CASES OF MEDICAID PATIENT ABUSE AND NEGLECT IN ANY SETTING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1903(q)(4)(A)(ii) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(q)(4)(A)(ii)) is amended by inserting after “patients residing in board and care facilities” the following: “and of patients (who are receiving medical assistance under the State plan under this title) in a noninstitutional or other setting”.

(b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING.—Section 1903(a)(6) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b(a)(6)) is amended, in the matter following subparagraph (B), by striking “(as found necessary by the Secretary for the elimination of fraud in the provision and administration of medical assistance provided under the State plan)”.

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