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118TH CONGRESS  
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**H. R.**

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. SARBANES) 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REQUIRING A SEPARATE IDENTIFICATION**  
2 **NUMBER AND AN ATTESTATION FOR EACH**  
3 **OFF-CAMPUS OUTPATIENT DEPARTMENT OF**  
4 **A PROVIDER.**

5 Section 1833(t) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
6 1395l(t)) is amended by adding at the end the following  
7 new paragraph:

8 “(23) USE OF UNIQUE HEALTH IDENTIFIERS;  
9 ATTESTATION.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—No payment may be  
11 made under this subsection (or under an appli-  
12 cable payment system pursuant to paragraph  
13 (21)) for items and services furnished on or  
14 after January 1, 2026, by an off-campus out-  
15 patient department of a provider (as defined in  
16 subparagraph (C)) unless—

17 “(i) such department has obtained,  
18 and such items and services are billed  
19 under, a unique health identifier (as estab-  
20 lished pursuant to standards described in  
21 section 1173(b)) that is separate from  
22 such identifier for such provider; and

23 “(ii) such provider has submitted to  
24 the Secretary, during the 2-year period  
25 ending on the date such items and services  
26 are so furnished, an attestation that such

1 department is compliant with the require-  
2 ments described in section 413.65 of title  
3 42, Code of Federal Regulations (or a suc-  
4 cessor regulation).

5 “(B) PROCESS FOR SUBMISSION AND RE-  
6 VIEW.—Not later than 1 year after the date of  
7 enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary  
8 shall, through notice and comment rulemaking,  
9 establish a process for each provider with an  
10 off-campus outpatient department of a provider  
11 to submit an attestation pursuant to subpara-  
12 graph (A)(ii), and for the Secretary to review  
13 each such attestation and determine, through  
14 site visits or through remote audits (as deter-  
15 mined appropriate by the Secretary), whether  
16 such department is compliant with the require-  
17 ments described in such subparagraph.

18 “(C) OFF-CAMPUS OUTPATIENT DEPART-  
19 MENT OF A PROVIDER DEFINED.—For purposes  
20 of this paragraph, the term ‘off-campus out-  
21 patient department of a provider’ means a de-  
22 partment of a provider (as defined in section  
23 413.65 of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations,  
24 or any successor regulation) that is not lo-  
25 cated—

1                   “(i) on the campus (as defined in such  
2                   section) of such provider; or  
3                   “(ii) within the distance (described in  
4                   such definition of campus) from a remote  
5                   location of a hospital facility (as defined in  
6                   such section).”.