

112TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3458

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the eligibility of eligible professionals practicing in rural health clinics for electronic health records and quality improvement incentives under Medicare.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 17, 2011

Mr. SCHOCK (for himself, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mr. REHBERG, and Mr. WALDEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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. EXTENSION OF MEDICARE EHR INCENTIVES TO**
2 **ELIGIBLE PROFESSIONALS PRACTICING IN**
3 **RURAL HEALTH CLINICS.**

4 Section 1848(o)(5)(A) of the Social Security Act (42
5 U.S.C. 1395w(o)(5)(A)) is amended by inserting before
6 the period at the end the following: “and, with respect to
7 payment years after 2011, includes rural health clinic
8 services (as defined in section 1861(aa)(1)) furnished by
9 an eligible professional”.

10 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF MEDICARE ERX AND QUALITY RE-**
11 **PORTING INCENTIVES TO RURAL HEALTH**
12 **CLINICS.**

13 Section 1848(m)(6)(A) of the Social Security Act (42
14 U.S.C. 1395w(m)(6)(A)) is amended by inserting before
15 the period at the end the following: “except that the term
16 ‘covered professional services’ shall, with respect to report-
17 ing periods for 2012 or a subsequent year, include rural
18 health clinic services (as defined in section 1861(aa)(1))
19 furnished by an eligible professional”.

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