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To require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to submit to Congress a report on the option to elect to pay cost-sharing under a prescription drug plan or MA–PD plan in monthly capped amounts.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Increasing Medication
5 Access for Seniors Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORTS ON MEDICARE PART D MONTHLY CAPPED**
2 **COST-SHARING OPTION.**

3 (a) REPORTS.—Not later than the date that is 3
4 months after the date of the enactment of this section,
5 not less frequently than every 3 months thereafter until
6 the date that is 1 year after the date of the enactment
7 of this section, and not less frequently than annually
8 thereafter until March 31, 2031, the Secretary of Health
9 and Human Services (in this section referred to as the
10 “Secretary”) shall submit to Congress a report on the op-
11 tion to elect to pay cost-sharing under a prescription drug
12 plan or MA–PD plan in monthly capped amounts under
13 section 1860D–2(b)(2)(E)(i) of the Social Security Act
14 (42 U.S.C. 1395w–102(b)(2)(E)(i)), including, with re-
15 spect to the 1-year period ending on the date that is 1
16 year before the date on which the report is required to
17 be submitted—

18 (1) the number of Medicare part D enrollees
19 who made such an election during such period, in-
20 cluding—

21 (A) the number of such enrollees residing
22 in each census region (as designated by the Bu-
23 reau of the Census);

24 (B) the number of such enrollees who are
25 enrolled in a prescription drug plan; and

1 (C) the number of such enrollees who are
2 enrolled in an MA–PD plan;

3 (2) an estimate of the number of Medicare part
4 D enrollees who did not make such an election and
5 incurred out-of-pocket costs with respect to covered
6 part D drugs during such period that make it likely
7 such enrollees may benefit from making such an
8 election, as determined by the Secretary;

9 (3) a description of any steps taken by the Sec-
10 retary during such period to implement a mechanism
11 to allow a Medicare part D enrollee to make such
12 election at the point-of-sale of a covered part D
13 drug, including information on how such a mecha-
14 nism may be made available for every Medicare part
15 D enrollee;

16 (4) a description of each method used by the
17 Secretary during such period to facilitate making
18 such an election, including—

19 (A) the Medicare.gov website;

20 (B) the notice distributed pursuant to sec-
21 tion 1804(a) of the Social Security Act (42
22 U.S.C. 1395b–2(a)) (commonly known as the
23 Medicare & You handbook);

24 (C) the toll-free telephone number 1–800–
25 MEDICARE; and

1 (D) resources for health care providers;
2 and

3 (5) a description of any other outreach efforts
4 the Secretary conducted with respect to such option
5 during such period, including outreach to—

6 (A) health care provider associations and
7 societies;

8 (B) patient and consumer advocacy groups
9 that represent Medicare part D enrollees;

10 (C) pharmacy benefit managers;

11 (D) pharmacies; and

12 (E) health insurance providers.

13 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

14 (1) MEDICARE PART D ENROLLEE.—The term
15 “Medicare part D enrollee” means an individual en-
16 rolled in a prescription drug plan or MA–PD plan
17 under part D of title XVIII of the Social Security
18 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–101 et seq.).

19 (2) MEDICARE PART D TERMS.—The terms
20 “covered part D drug”, “prescription drug plan”,
21 and “MA–PD plan” have the meanings given each
22 such term in part D of title XVIII of the Social Se-
23 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–101 et seq.).