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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 70, L.D. 87, “Resolve, To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To Continue the Study of Long-term Care Facilities”

Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Direct the Department of Health and Human Services To Explore the Use of Medicare Part C Plans for Crossover Payments to Nursing Facilities'

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Department of Health and Human Services to explore the use of Medicare Part C plans. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services shall explore the use of Medicare Part C plans for the nondual qualified Medicare beneficiaries population served by the Medicare Savings Program to determine if the plans could provide a financial advantage with respect to crossover payments and copayments to nursing facilities as well as to the individuals compared to the current situation. The Department of Health and Human Services shall report its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services no later than January 1, 2016.'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the resolve and changes the title. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to explore the use of Medicare Part C plans for the nondual qualified Medicare beneficiaries population served by the Medicare Savings Program to determine if the plans could provide a financial advantage with respect to crossover payments and copayments to nursing facilities as well as to the individuals compared to the current situation. The department is required to report its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services no later than January 1, 2016.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT