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# H. R. 4021

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 31, 2007

Mr. FILNER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Pay for All Your Un-  
5 documented Procedures (PAY UP!) Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZING FEDERAL PAYMENT TO EMERGENCY**  
2 **AMBULANCE AND MEDICAL SERVICES PRO-**  
3 **VIDERS FOR THE COST OF UNCOMPENSATED**  
4 **CARE OF ALIENS AIDED BY THE BORDER PA-**  
5 **TROL OR OTHER FEDERAL IMMIGRATION OF-**  
6 **FICIAL.**

7 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—In the case described in sub-  
8 section (b), the Secretary of Homeland Security shall,  
9 from amounts appropriated under subsection (c), provide  
10 payment to the hospital, health clinic, or other provider  
11 of the ambulance or other emergency services described  
12 in subsection (b) appropriate reimbursement for the costs  
13 of such emergency services, but only to the extent that  
14 such costs are not otherwise reimbursed through any Fed-  
15 eral program and cannot be recovered from the alien or  
16 another person.

17 (b) **CASE OF INJURED ALIEN DESCRIBED.**—A case  
18 described in this subsection is the case of an alien to whom  
19 a Border Patrol officer or other Federal immigration offi-  
20 cial provides assistance in any form, directly or indirectly,  
21 in seeking or obtaining emergency medical assistance, in-  
22 cluding contacting an ambulance service for the transport  
23 of the alien to an appropriate medical facility for the re-  
24 ceipt of emergency services.

25 (c) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There  
26 are authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year, be-

- 1 ginning with fiscal year 2008, such sums as may be nec-
- 2 essary to carry out this section.

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