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H. R. 5877

To amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage for the shingles vaccine under the Medicare Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 23, 2008

Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. SOLIS, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. FORTUÑO, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. KAGEN, Mr. HONDA, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. TAYLOR, Mr. COHEN, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. WATSON, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. CLARKE, Mr. HARE, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. WEXLER, and Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas) 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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Shingles Prevention
3 Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. ADDITION OF THE SHINGLES VACCINE UNDER THE**
5 **MEDICARE PROGRAM.**

6 (a) SHINGLES VACCINE.—Section 1861 of the Social
7 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (s)(10)(A), by striking “pneu-
9 mococcal vaccine and its administration and,” and
10 inserting “pneumococcal vaccine and its administra-
11 tion, shingles vaccine and its administration, and”;
12 and

13 (2) in subsection (ww)(2)(A), by inserting
14 “shingles,” after “influenza,”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 subsection (a) shall apply to shingles vaccines furnished
17 on or after January 1 of the first year beginning more
18 than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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