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H. R. 3626

To provide for continued treatment for the reopening of certain facilities under the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 20, 2007

Mr. SHIMKUS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. CONTINUATION OF TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN**
4 **REOPENING FACILITIES.**

5 In the case of a hospital and an adjoining skilled
6 nursing facility that were in operation under common
7 management before 1983 and closed during 2005, if—

8 (1) before such closure—

1 (A) the hospital was designated as a crit-
2 ical access hospital under section 1820 of the
3 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395i-4); and

4 (B) the hospital and nursing facility both
5 met the National Fire Protection Agency Life
6 Health Safety Code as a facility existing as of
7 March 16, 1982; and

8 (2) the hospital and nursing facility seek to re-
9 open on or after the date of the enactment of this
10 Act;

11 the hospital shall be deemed to continue to be designated
12 as such a critical access hospital under such section and
13 the hospital and nursing facility shall be deemed to con-
14 tinue to meet the applicable life safety code standards for
15 purposes of titles XVIII and XIX of such Act.

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