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To provide for the simplification of health payor forms.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOAGLAND introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the
Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means

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 “Health Payor Forms
5 Simplification Act of 1993”.

6 **SEC. 2. HEALTH PAYOR FORMS SIMPLIFICATION.**

7 (a) DEVELOPMENT OF PLAN AND MODEL.—The Sec-
8 retary of Health and Human Services shall request the
9 National Association of Insurance Commissioners—

10 (1) to develop, by not later than January 1,
11 1995—

1 (A) model forms (particularly forms used
2 by consumer and health care providers) that
3 use commonly understood terminology in sub-
4 mitting claims to health payors, and

5 (B) a plan for simplifying and making
6 more uniform forms and procedures, health
7 care provider invoices, explanations of proce-
8 dures, and electronic claims submission; and

9 (2) to consult, in developing such model forms
10 and plan, with representatives of consumer groups
11 (including the elderly), government agencies, health
12 payors, health care providers, business, labor, and
13 other appropriate groups affected by such forms or
14 plan.

15 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) HEALTH PAYOR.—The term “health payor”
17 includes for-profit and non-profit insurance compa-
18 nies, self-funded health plans, health maintenance
19 organizations, the medicare and medicaid programs,
20 and other Federal and State programs providing
21 payment for health care.

22 (2) HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.—The term
23 “health care providers” includes hospitals, physi-
24 cians, and other licensed providers of health care.