

104TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 249

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under part B of the medicare program of drugs approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of individuals with multiple sclerosis.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 1995

Mr. GREENWOOD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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. MEDICARE COVERAGE OF DRUGS FOR TREAT-**
2 **MENT OF INDIVIDUALS WITH MULTIPLE**
3 **SCLEROSIS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861(s)(2) of the Social
5 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(s)(2)), as amended by sec-
6 tion 147(f)(6)(B) of the Social Security Act Amendments
7 of 1994, is amended—

8 (1) by striking “and” at the end of sub-
9 paragraph (N);

10 (2) by striking “and” at the end of sub-
11 paragraph (O); and

12 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (O)
13 the following new subparagraph:

14 “(P) a drug for the treatment of individuals
15 with multiple sclerosis (if the use of the drug for
16 such purpose is approved by the Food and Drug Ad-
17 ministration);”.

18 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
19 subsection (a) shall apply to drugs furnished on or after
20 January 1, 1996.

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