

104TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4022

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the Medicare payment for general overhead costs of transplant centers in acquiring organs for transplant from organ procurement organizations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 4, 1996

Mr. STARK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. REDUCTION IN MEDICARE PAYMENT TO**
2 **TRANSPLANT CENTERS FOR GENERAL OVER-**
3 **HEAD COSTS OTHERWISE ALLOCATED TO**
4 **ORGAN PROCUREMENT.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861(v)(1) of the Social
6 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(v)(1)) is amended by add-
7 ing at the end the following new subparagraph:

8 “(T) In determining such reasonable costs, of a hos-
9 pital that is a transplant center, for the acquisition of or-
10 gans for transplant purposes from an organ procurement
11 organization, no administrative and general service costs
12 of the hospital (other than overhead directly attributable
13 to acquiring such organs) may be allocated to the cost cen-
14 ter for the costs of acquiring such organs.”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
16 subsection (a) shall apply to cost reporting periods begin-
17 ning on or after October 1, 1997.

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