

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1773

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 3, 1997

Mrs. THURMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on National Security

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. INCLUSION OF MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE COVERED**
2 **BENEFICIARIES IN DEPARTMENT OF DE-**
3 **FENSE NATIONAL MAIL ORDER PHARMACY**
4 **PROGRAM.**

5 Section 1086 of title 10, United States Code, is
6 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
7 section:

8 “(i) Notwithstanding subsection (d)(1), the Secretary
9 of Defense shall ensure that any program to make pre-
10 scription pharmaceuticals available by mail to covered
11 beneficiaries does not exclude covered beneficiaries who
12 are entitled to hospital insurance benefits under part A
13 of title XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395c
14 et seq.). Such covered beneficiaries shall be eligible to re-
15 ceive pharmaceuticals available under the mail order pro-
16 gram on the same terms and conditions as other covered
17 beneficiaries included in the program.”.

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