

107<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 2071

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 6, 2001

Mr. ANDREWS (for himself, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, and Mr. GRAHAM) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## 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 “Medicare Occupational  
5       Therapy Coverage Eligibility Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY FOR HOME HEALTH SERVICES ON THE**  
2 **BASIS OF A NEED FOR OCCUPATIONAL THER-**  
3 **APY.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Sections 1814(a)(2)(C) and  
5 1835(a)(2)(A) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
6 1395f(a)(2)(C) and 1395n(a)(2)(A)) are each amended by  
7 striking “or speech therapy” and all that follows through  
8 “need occupational therapy” and inserting “, occupa-  
9 tional, or speech therapy”.

10 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
11 subsection (a) shall apply to home health services provided  
12 on or after October 1, 2001.

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