

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

# H. R. 699

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to include podiatrists as physicians for purposes of covering physicians services under the Medicaid Program.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 9, 2005

Ms. DEGETTE (for herself, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. BECERRA, and Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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. INCLUDING PODIATRISTS AS PHYSICIANS**  
4 **UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1905(a)(5)(A) of the So-  
6 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)(5)(A)) is amended  
7 by striking “section 1861(r)(1)” and inserting “para-  
8 graphs (1) and (3) of section 1861(r)”.

1           (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
2 subsection (a) shall apply to services furnished on or after  
3 January 1, 2006.

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