

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To provide optional coverage of nurse home visitation services under Medicaid.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—111th Cong., 1st Sess.

H. R. 3590

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. CASEY to the amendment (No. 2786) proposed by Mr. REID

Viz:

1 On page 466, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:
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3 **SEC. 2305. OPTIONAL COVERAGE OF NURSE HOME VISITA-**
4 **TION SERVICES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1905 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d), as amended by sections
6 2001(a)(3), 2006, and 2301(a)(1), is amended—
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8 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) in paragraph (28), by striking “and”
2 at the end;

3 (B) by redesignating paragraph (29) as
4 paragraph (30); and

5 (C) by inserting after paragraph (28) the
6 following new paragraph:

7 “(29) nurse home visitation services (as defined
8 in subsection (z)); and”;

9 (2) by inserting after subsection (y) the fol-
10 lowing new subsection:

11 “(z) The term ‘nurse home visitation services’ means
12 voluntary home visits that are provided by trained nurses
13 to a family with a first-time pregnant woman, or a child
14 (under 2 years of age), who is eligible for medical assist-
15 ance under this title, but only, to the extent determined
16 by the Secretary based upon evidence, that such services
17 are effective in achieving 1 or more of the following:

18 “(1) Improving maternal or child health and
19 pregnancy outcomes or increasing birth intervals be-
20 tween pregnancies.

21 “(2) Reducing the incidence of child abuse, ne-
22 glect, and injury, improving family stability (includ-
23 ing reduction in the incidence of intimate partner vi-
24 olence), or reducing maternal and child involvement
25 in the criminal justice system.

1 “(3) Increasing economic self-sufficiency, em-
2 ployment advancement, school-readiness, and edu-
3 cational achievement, or reducing dependence on
4 public assistance.”.

5 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
6 this section shall apply to services furnished on or after
7 January 1, 2010.

8 (c) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in the amendments
9 made by this section shall be construed as affecting the
10 ability of a State under title XIX or XXI of the Social
11 Security Act to provide nurse home visitation services as
12 part of another class of items and services falling within
13 the definition of medical assistance or child health assist-
14 ance under the respective title, or as an administrative ex-
15 penditure for which payment is made under section
16 1903(a) or 2105(a) of such Act, respectively, on or after
17 the date of the enactment of this Act.