

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1**OFFERED BY MR. EHLERS OF MICHIGAN**

Page 587, after line 17, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 4503. DISPROPORTIONATE PATIENT PERCENTAGE**

2 **CALCULATION FOR CERTAIN HOSPITALS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1886(d)(5)(F) of the So-
4 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(F)) is amend-
5 ed by adding at the end of clause (vi) the following sen-
6 tence: “In the case of a hospital providing acute care serv-
7 ices to ventilator-dependent patients who are dually eligi-
8 ble for benefits under part A and for medical assistance
9 under a State plan approved under title XIX, the Sec-
10 retary shall not exclude from the numerator in subclause
11 (II) for such period any patient days of ventilator-depend-
12 ent patients entitled to benefits under part A unless such
13 days have already been included in the numerator in sub-
14 clause (I).”

15 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section shall be effec-
16 tive as if included in the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP
17 Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000 (Public
18 Law 106-554).

