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S. 4712

To clarify coverage of occupational therapy under the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 2, 2022

Ms. HASSAN (for herself and Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Occupational Therapy
5 Mental Health Parity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CLARIFYING COVERAGE OF OCCUPATIONAL THER-**
7 **APY UNDER MEDICARE.**

8 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
9 of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services
10 shall provide education and outreach to stakeholders about

1 the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual with respect to occu-
2 pational therapy services furnished to individuals under
3 the Medicare program for the treatment of a substance
4 use or mental health disorder diagnosis using applicable
5 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)
6 codes.

7 **SEC. 3. CLARIFYING COVERAGE OF OCCUPATIONAL THER-**
8 **APY UNDER MEDICAID.**

9 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
10 of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services
11 shall issue guidance clarifying that States may cover occu-
12 pational therapy services furnished to individuals under
13 the Medicaid program for the treatment of a substance
14 use or mental health disorder diagnosis.

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