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AMENDMENT

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Add at the end of section 5001 of title V the following:

(j) PREMIUM ASSISTANCE.-No State may receive an 1 2 increase in FMAP under this section unless such State provides individuals receiving medical assistance under 3 title XIX with the option to receive such assistance 4 5 through premium assistance to purchase creditable coverage (as defined under section 2701 of the Public Health 6 Service Act)_through an employer-sponsored group health 7 plan or through individual insurance offered by an insurer 8 licensed in the State, where the individual resides. with coverage 9 X

and benefits equal to ar better than Medicaid benefits offered by such state

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