

AMENDMENT

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In subtitle F of title I of division A, add at the end
the following:

1 **SEC. 156. INCREASING MEANINGFUL USE OF ELECTRONIC**
2 **HEALTH RECORDS.**

3 (a) **STUDY.**—The Commissioner shall conduct a
4 study on methods that QHPB offering entities can use
5 to encourage increased meaningful use of electronic health
6 records by health care providers, including—

7 (1) qualified health benefits plans offering high-
8 er reimbursement rates for such meaningful use; and

9 (2) promoting the use by health care providers
10 of low-cost available electronic health record soft-
11 ware packages, such as software made available to
12 health care providers by the Veterans Administra-
13 tion.

14 (b) **REPORT.**—Not later than 2 years after the date
15 of the enactment of this Act, the Commissioner shall sub-
16 mit to the Congress a report containing—

1 (1) the results of the study under subsection
2 (a); and

3 (2) recommendations concerning whether quali-
4 fying health benefits plans should increase reim-
5 bursement rates to health care providers to increase
6 meaningful use of electronic health records by such
7 providers.

8 (c) REQUIREMENTS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
10 after the date the report is submitted to the Con-
11 gress under subsection (b), if, under subsection
12 (b)(2), the Commissioner recommends increased re-
13 imbursement rates, the Commissioner shall require
14 that qualifying health benefits plans increase reim-
15 bursement rates for health care providers that show
16 meaningful use of electronic health records.

17 (2) COST LIMITATION.—An increase in rates
18 under paragraph (1) shall not result in any increase
19 in affordability premium or cost-sharing credits
20 under subtitle C of title II of this division.

