

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of certain lymphedema compression treatment items under the Medicare program.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. WICKER, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. ERNST, Ms. SMITH, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. REED, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. BROWN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CASEY, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. COONS, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. FISCHER, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CARPER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. KING, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. TESTER, Mr. WARNER, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. PADILLA, and Mr. KELLY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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**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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Lymphedema Treat-  
3 ment Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. MEDICARE COVERAGE OF CERTAIN LYMPHEDEMA**  
5 **COMPRESSION TREATMENT ITEMS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1861 of the Social Secu-  
7 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (s)(2)—

9 (A) in subparagraph (GG), by striking  
10 “and” after the semicolon at the end;

11 (B) in subparagraph (HH), by striking the  
12 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

13 (C) by adding at the end the following new  
14 subparagraph:

15 “(II) lymphedema compression treatment items  
16 (as defined in subsection (lll));”; and

17 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
18 section:

19 “Lymphedema Compression Treatment Items

20 “(lll) The term ‘lymphedema compression treatment  
21 items’ means—

22 “(1) standard and custom fitted gradient com-  
23 pression garments that are—

24 “(A) furnished on or after January 1,  
25 2023, to an individual with a diagnosis of

1           lymphedema for the treatment of such condi-  
2           tion;

3                   “(B) primarily and customarily used in the  
4           medical treatment of lymphedema, as deter-  
5           mined by the Secretary; and

6                   “(C) prescribed by a physician (or a physi-  
7           cian assistant, nurse practitioner, or a clinical  
8           nurse specialist (as those terms are defined in  
9           section 1861(aa)(5)) to the extent authorized  
10          under State law); and

11                   “(2) other devices determined by the Secretary  
12          to be effective in the prevention or treatment of  
13          lymphedema.”.

14          (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by  
15          subsection (a) shall apply to lymphedema compression  
16          treatment items furnished on or after January 1, 2023.