

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 248

To allow an earlier start for State health care coverage innovation waivers
under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 1, 2011

Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, and Ms. LANDRIEU)
introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the
Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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innovation waivers under the Patient Protection and Af-
fordable Care Act.

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 “Empowering States
5 to Innovate Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. EARLIER START FOR STATE HEALTH CARE COV-**
7 **ERAGE INNOVATION WAIVERS.**

8 Section 1332(a) of the Patient Protection and Af-
9 fordable Care Act is amended—

1 (1) by striking “January 1, 2017” in paragraph
2 (1) and inserting “January 1, 2014”; and

3 (2) by inserting “beginning not later than 180
4 days after the date of the enactment of the Empow-
5 ering States to Innovate Act” after “application” in
6 paragraph (4)(B)(ii).

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