

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 251

To repeal the Independent Payment Advisory Board in order to ensure that it cannot be used to undermine the Medicare entitlement for beneficiaries.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 1, 2017

Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. HEINRICH, and Ms. STABENOW) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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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,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Medicare  
5 from Executive Action Act of 2017”.

6       **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF THE INDEPENDENT PAYMENT ADVI-**  
7                               **SORY BOARD.**

8       (a) REPEAL.—Section 1899A of the Social Security  
9 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395kkk) is repealed.

10       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

1           (1) LOBBYING COOLING-OFF PERIOD.—Para-  
2           graph (3) of section 207(c) of title 18, United States  
3           Code, is repealed.

4           (2) GAO STUDY AND REPORT.—Section  
5           3403(b) of the Patient Protection and Affordable  
6           Care Act (42 U.S.C. 1395kkk-1) is repealed.

7           (3) MEDPAC REVIEW AND COMMENT.—Section  
8           1805(b) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
9           1395b-6(b)) is amended—

10                   (A) by striking paragraph (4);

11                   (B) by redesignating paragraphs (5)  
12                   through (8) as paragraphs (4) through (7), re-  
13                   spectively; and

14                   (C) by redesignating the paragraph (9)  
15                   that was redesignated by section 3403(c)(1) of  
16                   the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act  
17                   (Public Law 111-148) as paragraph (8).

18           (4) NAME CHANGE.—Section 10320(b) of the  
19           Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public  
20           Law 111-148) is repealed.

21           (5) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Section  
22           10320(c) of the Patient Protection and Affordable  
23           Care Act (Public Law 111-148) is repealed.

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