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119TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H.R.

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to include blood contamination as a hospital acquired condition under the Medicare program.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Kelly of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 "Diagnostic Accuracy
- 5 in Sepsis Act of 2025".

1	SEC. 2. INCLUDING BLOOD CONTAMINATION AS A HOS-
2	PITAL ACQUIRED CONDITION UNDER THE
3	MEDICARE PROGRAM.
4	Section 1886(p) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
5	1305ww(p)) is amended—
6	(1) in paragraph (3)—
7	(A) by striking "means a condition" and
8	inserting the following: "means—
9	"( $\Lambda$ ) a condition";
10	(B) by striking "subsection (d)(4)(D)(iv)
11	and any" and inserting the following: "sub-
12	section $(d)(4)(D)(iv)$ ;
13	"(C) any"; and
14	(C) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
15	the following new subparagraph:
16	"(B) with respect to discharges occurring
17	during fiscal year 2026 or a subsequent fiscal
18	year, blood culture contamination; and";
19	(2) by redesignating paragraph (7) as para-
20	graph (8); and
21	(3) by inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-
22	lowing new paragraph:
23	"(7) BLOOD CULTURE CONTAMINATION MEAS-
24	URE.—In establishing a measure for blood culture
25	contamination for a subsection (d) hospital for pur-
26	poses of determining whether such hospital is an ap-

plicable hospital under paragraph (2), the Secretary shall so establish such a measure on the basis that the rate of such contamination should not exceed 1 percent.".