

119TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BUDD (for himself and Mr. RICKETTS) 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,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Marijuana Impact on  
5       Medicaid Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON COST TO THE MEDICAID PROGRAM**  
2 **FROM HOSPITAL AND EMERGENCY ROOM**  
3 **VISITS RELATED TO MARIJUANA USE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and  
5 Human Services (in this section referred to as the “Sec-  
6 retary”) shall collect data relating to the amount of Fed-  
7 eral and State expenditures under the Medicaid program  
8 established under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42  
9 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) that are attributable to costs in-  
10 curred for providing medical assistance for inpatient hos-  
11 pital services, outpatient hospital services, and for services  
12 received at a hospital emergency room (without regard to  
13 whether such services are emergency services (as defined  
14 by the Secretary)) related to marijuana use (as defined  
15 by the Secretary).

16 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 1 year  
17 after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary  
18 shall submit to Congress and make publicly available a  
19 report describing the findings from the data collection pur-  
20 suant to subsection (a), together with any recommenda-  
21 tions for legislation or administrative action as the Sec-  
22 retary determines appropriate.