

15 **SEC. 145. CLINICAL LABORATORY TESTS.**

16 (a) REPEAL OF MEDICARE COMPETITIVE BIDDING
17 DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY
18 SERVICES.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1847 of the Social
20 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–3) is amended by
21 striking subsection (e).

22 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section
23 1833(a)(1)(D) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
24 1395l(a)(1)(D)) is amended—

25 (A) by inserting “or” before “(ii)”; and

1 (B) by striking “or (iii) on the basis” and
2 all that follows before the comma at the end.

3 (3) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
4 by this subsection shall take effect on the date of the
5 enactment of this Act.

6 (b) CLINICAL LABORATORY TEST FEE SCHEDULE
7 UPDATE ADJUSTMENT.—Section 1833(h)(2)(A)(i) of the
8 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395l(h)(2)(A)(ii)) is
9 amended by inserting “minus, for each of the years 2009
10 through 2013, 0.5 percentage points” after “city aver-
age)”.