

Preserving Access to Medicare Act of 2008

Introduced by Senator Charles Grassley (R-IA)

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12 **SEC. 144. CLINICAL LABORATORY TESTS.**

13 (a) REPEAL OF MEDICARE COMPETITIVE BIDDING

14 DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY

15 SERVICES.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1847 of the Social

17 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w-3) is amended by

18 striking subsection (e).

19 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section

20 1833(a)(1)(D) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.

21 1395l(a)(1)(D)) is amended—

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

23 (B) by striking “or (iii) on the basis” and

24 all that follows before the comma at the end.

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

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