## Amendment to H.R. 3350 Offered by Ms. Jackson Lee of Texas

Page 2, after line 3, insert the following new section (and redesignate the succeeding section accordingly):

## 1 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Health Insurance companies are making de-4 cisions based on their bottom line self interest and 5 have decided to terminate insurance plans that are 6 not profitable in the new highly competitive market 7 place for health insurance, or want to end insurance 8 for those who are ill and thereby increase their prof-9 it margin by keeping only the healthy or marginally 10 healthy, while discarding the ill.

11 (2) Insurance companies make huge profits
12 when they take premiums and pay little to no bene13 fits.

(3) The plans offered by some insurance companies called "health insurance", in fact offered little if any health care protection should people with
these policies become seriously ill or involved in an
accident that required hospitalization.

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1	(4) Catastrophic health plans sold to Americans
2	as insurance were not first dollar or even the first
3	thousand dollar policies, some required the first
4	\$5,000 to \$10,000 of health care costs to be paid by
5	the holder of the insurance plan whose income was
6	not sufficient to incur an expense of this magnitude.
7	(5) These plans did not provide many of the
8	minimal benefits of the Affordable Care Act, such as
9	ambulatory patient services, that provide treatment
10	using advance medical devices or technology like an
11	MRI X-ray.
12	(6) Emergency services were not covered even
13	though emergency room visits could cost tens of
14	thousands of dollars depending on the nature of the
15	emergency.
16	(7) Hospitalization coverage was not included in
17	most of these insurance policies.
18	(8) Maternity and newborn care was not cov-
19	ered nor was pediatric services so a that healthy
20	birth did not mean that the newborn child would
21	have a healthy childhood.
22	(9) Mental health, substance abuse disorder
23	services, and behavioral health treatment were not

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(10) Prescription drug benefits and necessary
 laboratory tests also were excluded under these in surance plans.

4 (11) Also excluded under these plans were pre5 ventive and wellness services and chronic disease
6 management.

7 (12) Oral and vision care were not part of these
8 plans, which meant that one tooth infection or
9 change in eye sight could set someone back thou10 sands of dollars if they wanted to get treatment.

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