Amendment to Rules Committee Print 119-4

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Add at the end the following:

1 SEC. . SENSE OF CONGRESS.

2 It is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) the Medicaid program is the single largest 4 payer of mental health and substance use disorder 5 services;

6 (2) the expansion of the Medicaid program established under the Patient Protection and Afford-7 8 able Care Act is critical to access to mental health 9 and substance use disorder treatment services, in-10 creasing access to care, and improving outcomes in-11 cluding decreasing overdose deaths;

12 (3) the massive cuts to the Medicaid program 13 in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act will have a dev-14 astating impact on the millions of Americans with 15 substance use disorder who rely on Medicaid to ac-16 cess much-needed health care services;

17 (4) limiting access to the Medicaid program 18 threatens to undermine gains in reducing overdose 19 mortality rates and would force individuals to forgo

care, which would lead to individuals' conditions
worsening and require more costly and intensive
treatment;

4 (5) the burdensome work reporting requirement policies in such bill will disproportionately harm in-5 dividuals with mental health conditions and sub-6 7 stance use disorder and would result in less access 8 to mental health and substance use treatment; and 9 (6) the work reporting requirement exemptions 10 fail to properly protect individuals with substance 11 use disorder and subjecting them to burdensome paperwork requirements will only make recovery more 12 difficult and, for many Americans, inaccessible. 13

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