

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 1735
OFFERED BY MR. WALZ OF MINNESOTA**

At the end of subtitle A of title VII, add the following new section:

1 SEC. 7___. REVISIONS TO COST-SHARING REQUIREMENTS
2 FOR TRICARE FOR LIFE AND THE PHARMACY
3 BENEFITS PROGRAM.

4 (a) TRICARE PHARMACY PROGRAM COST-SHARING
5 AMOUNTS.—Paragraph (6) of section 1074g(a) of title 10,
6 United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 “(6)(A) In the case of any of the calendar years
8 2016 through 2024 the cost sharing referred to in
9 paragraph (5) shall be payment by an eligible cov-
10 ered beneficiary of amounts determined in accord-
11 ance with the following table:

| “For: | The cost sharing amount for 30-day supply of a retail generic is: | The cost sharing amount for 30-day supply of a retail formulary is: | The cost sharing amount for a 90-day supply of a mail order generic is: | The cost sharing amount for a 90-day supply of a mail order formulary is: | The cost amount for a 90-day supply of a mail order non-formulary is: |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2016 | \$8 | \$28 | \$0 | \$28 | \$54 |
| 2017 | \$8 | \$30 | \$0 | \$30 | \$58 |
| 2018 | \$8 | \$32 | \$0 | \$32 | \$62 |

| “For: | The cost sharing amount for 30-day supply of a retail generic is: | The cost sharing amount for 30-day supply of a retail formulary is: | The cost sharing amount for a 90-day supply of a mail order generic is: | The cost sharing amount for a 90-day supply of a mail order formulary is: | The cost amount for a 90-day supply of a mail order non-formulary is: |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2019 | \$9 | \$34 | \$9 | \$34 | \$66 |
| 2020 | \$10 | \$36 | \$10 | \$36 | \$70 |
| 2021 | \$11 | \$38 | \$11 | \$38 | \$75 |
| 2022 | \$12 | \$40 | \$12 | \$40 | \$80 |
| 2023 | \$13 | \$43 | \$13 | \$43 | \$85 |
| 2024 | \$14 | \$45 | \$14 | \$45 | \$90 |

1 “(B) For any year after 2024, the cost sharing
2 referred to in paragraph (5) shall be payment by an
3 eligible covered beneficiary of amounts equal to the
4 cost-sharing amounts for the previous year, adjusted
5 by an amount, if any, as determined by the Sec-
6 retary to reflect changes in the costs of pharma-
7 ceutical agents and prescription dispensing, rounded
8 to the nearest dollar.

9 “(C) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (A) and
10 (B), the cost-sharing amounts referred to in para-
11 graph (5) for any year after 2015 shall be the cost-
12 sharing amounts, if any, under this section as of
13 January 1, 2015, in the case of—

14 “(i) a dependent of a member of the uni-
15 formed services who dies while on active duty;

1 “(ii) a member retired under chapter 61 of
2 this title; or

3 “(iii) a dependent of such a member.”.

4 (b) AUTHORITY TO ADJUST PAYMENTS INTO THE
5 MEDICARE-ELIGIBLE RETIREE HEALTH CARE FUND.—
6 Section 1116 of such title is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “subsection
8 (c), which” and inserting “subsection (c)(1), which
9 (together with any amount paid into the Fund under
10 subsection (c)(4))”; and

11 (2) in subsection (c)—

12 (A) by striking “The Secretary” and in-
13 serting “(1) Except as provided in paragraph
14 (2), the Secretary”; and

15 (B) by adding at the end the following new
16 paragraphs:

17 “(2) If for any fiscal year the Secretary of De-
18 fense determines at the beginning of that fiscal year
19 that the amount that would otherwise be required to
20 be certified under paragraph (1) for that fiscal year
21 would not be accurate if there were to be enacted
22 during the current session of Congress a significant
23 change in law requested in the Budget of the Presi-
24 dent for that fiscal year that upon enactment would
25 reduce the amount otherwise required to be certified

1 under paragraph (1) for that fiscal year, the Sec-
2 retary may certify to the Secretary of the Treasury
3 under paragraph (1) a reduced amount for that fis-
4 cal year taking into consideration the amount of the
5 reduction for that fiscal year that would occur upon
6 enactment of such change in law.

7 “(3) Not later than 120 days after the begin-
8 ning of a fiscal year for which a certification under
9 paragraph (1) is submitted pursuant to paragraph
10 (2), the Secretary of Defense—

11 “(A) shall notify the Secretary of the
12 Treasury whether since the beginning of the fis-
13 cal year a significant change in law has been
14 enacted which if in effect at the beginning of
15 the fiscal year would have resulted in a revised
16 amount certified under paragraph (1) without
17 regard to paragraph (2); and

18 “(B) based upon any such change in law
19 since the beginning of the fiscal year, shall cer-
20 tify a final amount for the fiscal year.

21 “(4) If a final amount certified under para-
22 graph (3) for any fiscal year is greater than the
23 amount certified pursuant to paragraph (2) for that
24 fiscal year, the Secretary of the Treasury shall
25 promptly pay into the Fund from the General Fund

1 of the Treasury the difference between those
2 amounts.”.

