AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-8

TEXT OF H. R. 372, COMPETITIVE HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM ACT OF 2017

OFFERED BY MR. PERLMUTTER OF COLORADO

Page 1, before line 1, insert the following:

1 TITLE I—COMPETITIVE HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM

Page 1, line 1, strike “SECTION 1” and insert “SEC. 101”.

Page 2, line 2, strike “Act” and insert “title”.

Page 1, line 4, strike “SEC. 2” and insert “SEC. 102”.

At the end of the bill, add the following:

3 TITLE II—TRANSPARENCY IN ALL HEALTH CARE PRICING

5 SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

6 This title may be cited as the “Transparency in All Health Care Pricing Act of 2017”.

8 SEC. 202. TRANSPARENCY IN ALL HEALTH CARE PRICING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Any and all individuals or business entities, including hospitals, physicians, nurses, phar-
macies, pharmaceutical manufacturers, dentists, and the insurance entities described in subsection (d), and any other health care related providers or issuers that offer or furnish health care related items, products, services, or procedures (as defined by the Secretary of Health and Human Services) for sale to the public shall publicly disclose, on a continuous basis, all prices for such items, products, services, or procedures in accordance with this section.

(b) MANNER OF DISCLOSURE.—The disclosure required under subsection (a) shall—

(1) be made in an open and conspicuous manner;

(2) be made available at the point of purchase, in print, and on the Internet; and

(3) include all wholesale, retail, subsidized, discounted, or other such prices the individuals or business entities described in such subsection accept as payment in full for items, products, services, or procedures such individuals or business entities furnish to individual consumers.

(c) PENALTIES.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services may investigate any and all individuals or business entities that fail to comply with the requirements of this section and may impose on such individuals
or business entities civil fines, or other civil penalties, as
determined appropriate by the Secretary.

(d) INSURANCE ENTITY DESCRIBED.—For purposes of this section, an insurance entity includes a health insurance issuer with respect to the offering of health insurance coverage, including in the individual market and small and large group market (as such terms are defined in section 2791 of the Public Health Service Act), a plan sponsor with respect to the offering of a group health plan (as defined in such section 2791), and entities responsible for the administration of governmental health plans (including the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services with respect to the Medicare program under title XVIII of the Social Security Act, State agencies responsible for administration of State plans under the Medicaid program under title XIX of such Act, or State child assistance plans under the State Children’s Health Insurance Program under title XXI of such Act, and the Office of Personnel Management with respect to the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program under chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code).