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H. R. 508

To expand Medicare coverage to include eyeglasses, hearing aids, and dental care.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2017

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD (for herself, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. CLAY, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Ms. BASS, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. AGUILAR, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. POCAN, Ms. LEE, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. VELA, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. MATSUI, Ms. TSONGAS, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. WELCH, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. KEATING, Ms. DELBENE, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. DELANEY, Ms. MOORE, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. COHEN, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. SOTO, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. EVANS, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. MENG, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. ESTY, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. TONKO, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Mr. PETERS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. HECK, Mr. KILMER, Mr. SUOZZI, Ms. PLASKETT, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. RUIZ, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. O'ROURKE, Ms. TITUS, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. RUSH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. TORRES, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. NADLER, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CORREA, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. DESAULNIER, and Mr. CARTWRIGHT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the

Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Seniors Have Eyes,
5 Ears, and Teeth Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF MEDICARE COVERAGE.**

7 Section 1862(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
8 1395y(a)) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (7) by striking “, eyeglasses”
10 through “hearing aids or examinations therefor,”;
11 and

12 (2) in paragraph (12) by striking “where such
13 expenses are for services in connection with the care,
14 treatment, filling, removal, or replacement of teeth
15 or structures directly supporting teeth, except that”.

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