



AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To create a point of order against legislation that
would harm rural hospitals and health care providers.

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By <u>Manchin</u>		bringing forth the
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himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. UDALL, Mr.
FRANKEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. VAN
HOLLEN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. TESTER, Mr. BENNET, Ms.
BALDWIN, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. DONNELLY) and Mrs. Shaheen
and Mr. Warner.

Viz:

- 1 At the end of title IV, add the following:

1 **SEC. 4___. POINT OF ORDER AGAINST LEGISLATION THAT**
2 **WOULD FINANCIALLY HARM RURAL HOS-**
3 **PITALS AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS BY**
4 **REDUCING THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN**
5 **RURAL COMMUNITIES WITH ACCESS TO**
6 **HEALTH INSURANCE.**

7 (a) POINT OF ORDER.—It shall not be in order in
8 the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolution, motion,
9 amendment, amendment between the Houses, or con-
10 ference report if the Congressional Budget Office has de-
11 termined that it would—

12 (1) cause an increase in the rate of uninsured
13 individuals and families in rural communities by an
14 amount sufficient to substantially weaken the finan-
15 cial viability of rural hospitals (including small hos-
16 pitals), clinics (including community health centers),
17 or other health care providers; or

18 (2) reduce Federal funds upon which rural hos-
19 pitals and community health centers rely.

20 (b) WAIVER AND APPEAL.—Subsection (a) may be
21 waived or suspended in the Senate only by an affirmative
22 vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and
23 sworn. An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members
24 of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required
25 to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point
26 of order raised under subsection (a).