

A Bill to Expand Access to Organ Donation

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All persons enrolled in the Medicare and/or Medicaid programs shall be required to register with a recognized organ procurement organization.

SECTION 2. The following provisions shall apply:

A. 42 U.S.C. §406.20 (b) is hereby amended to include the above requirements. Registration with a recognized organ procurement organization is hereby required to receive benefits under Medicare Parts A and B.

B. 42 U.S.C §7 (XIX) is hereby amended to include the above requirements. The Several States are hereby required to include registration with a recognized organ procurement organization as a requirement for the allocation of federal funds under the Medicaid Program.

SECTION 3. Persons objecting to the above provisions may apply for a waiver with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services citing a legitimate religious, cultural, and/or medical objection.

SECTION 4. The following definitions shall apply:

A. “Organ Procurement Organization” shall be defined in accordance with 42 U.S.C. §273 (b) as one of the 56 federally recognized entities responsible for the harvesting, transportation, storage, distribution, and allocation of human organs for the purpose of medical transplant.

B. “Legitimate religious, cultural, and/or medical objection” shall be defined in accordance with the existing policies of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

SECTION 5. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services shall oversee all sections of this legislation.

SECTION 6. This legislation will take effect on January 1, 2024. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by the Collegiate School of Medicine and Bioscience.