

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 810, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MRS. JOHNSON OF CONNECTICUT

(Amendment to Chairman's Mark on H.R. 810)

Redesignate section 513 as section 514 and insert after section 512 the following new section:

1 **SEC. 513. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF OASIS REQUIRE-**
2 **MENT FOR COLLECTION OF DATA ON NON-**
3 **MEDICARE AND NON-MEDICAID PATIENTS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—During the period described in
5 subsection (b), the Secretary may not require, under sec-
6 tion 4602(e) of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 or other-
7 wise under OASIS, a home health agency to gather or sub-
8 mit information that relates to an individual who is not
9 eligible for benefits under either title XVIII or title XIX
10 of the Social Security Act (such information in this section
11 referred to as “non-medicare/medicaid OASIS informa-
12 tion”).

13 (b) PERIOD OF SUSPENSION.—The period described
14 in this subsection—

15 (1) begins on the date of the enactment of this
16 Act; and

17 (2) ends on the last day of the 2nd month be-
18 ginning after the date as of which the Secretary has
19 published final regulations regarding the collection
20 and use by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid



1 Services of non-medicare/medicaid OASIS informa-
2 tion following the submission of the report required
3 under subsection (c).

4 (c) REPORT.—

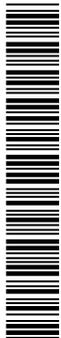
5 (1) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a
6 study on how non-medicare/medicaid OASIS infor-
7 mation is and can be used by large home health
8 agencies. Such study shall examine—

9 (A) whether there are unique benefits from
10 the analysis of such information that cannot be
11 derived from other information available to, or
12 collected by, such agencies; and

13 (B) the value of collecting such informa-
14 tion by small home health agencies compared to
15 the administrative burden related to such collec-
16 tion.

17 In conducting the study the Secretary shall obtain
18 recommendations from quality assessment experts in
19 the use of such information and the necessity of
20 small, as well as large, home health agencies col-
21 lecting such information.

22 (2) REPORT.—The Secretary shall submit to
23 Congress a report on the study conducted under
24 paragraph (1) by not later than 18 months after the
25 date of the enactment of this Act.



1 (d) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall be
2 construed as preventing home health agencies from col-
3 lecting non-medicare/medicaid OASIS information for
4 their own use.

