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To amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to require certain facilities to post prices on the walls.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Prices on the Wall
5 Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIRING CERTAIN FACILITIES TO POST PRICES**
2 **ON THE WALLS.**

3 Section 2718 of the Public Health Service Act (42
4 U.S.C. 300gg-18) is amended by adding at the end the
5 following new subsection:

6 “(f) **REQUIREMENT TO POST PRICES ON THE**
7 **WALLS.**—

8 “(1) **HOSPITALS.**—Each hospital operating in
9 the United States shall, beginning January 1, 2028,
10 post on the wall of such hospital (in such areas as
11 specified by the Secretary) the discounted cash price,
12 as applicable, expressed as a dollar amount, for each
13 Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services-specified
14 shoppable service that is furnished by the hospital
15 when provided in, as applicable, the inpatient setting
16 and outpatient department setting (or, in the case
17 no discounted cash price is available for such service,
18 the median cash price charged by the hospital to
19 self-pay individuals for such service when provided in
20 such settings for the previous 3 years, expressed as
21 a dollar amount).

22 “(2) **AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS.**—Each
23 ambulatory surgical center operating in the United
24 States shall, beginning January 1, 2028, post on the
25 wall of such center (in such areas as specified by the
26 Secretary) the discounted cash price, as applicable,

1 expressed as a dollar amount, for each Centers for
2 Medicare & Medicaid Services-specified shoppable
3 service that is furnished by the center (or, in the
4 case no discounted cash price is available for such
5 service, the median cash price charged by the center
6 to self-pay individuals for such service for the pre-
7 vious 3 years, expressed as a dollar amount).

8 “(3) LABORATORIES.—Each laboratory oper-
9 ating in the United States shall, beginning January
10 1, 2028, post on the wall of such laboratory (in such
11 areas as specified by the Secretary) the discounted
12 cash price, as applicable, expressed as a dollar
13 amount, for each specified clinical diagnostic labora-
14 tory test that is a Centers for Medicare & Medicaid
15 Services-specified shoppable service furnished by the
16 laboratory (or, if no such price exists, the gross
17 charge for such test).

18 “(4) PROVIDERS FURNISHING IMAGING SERV-
19 ICES.—Each provider of services and supplier fur-
20 nishing imaging services operating in the United
21 States shall, beginning January 1, 2028, post on the
22 wall of such provider or supplier (in such areas as
23 specified by the Secretary) the discounted cash price,
24 as applicable, expressed as a dollar amount, for each
25 imaging service that is a Centers for Medicare &

1 Medicaid Services-specified shoppable service fur-
2 nished by the provider or supplier (or, in the case
3 no such price exists, the gross charge for such serv-
4 ice).

5 “(5) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

6 “(A) DISCOUNTED CASH PRICE.—The
7 term ‘discounted cash price’ means the charge
8 that applies to an individual who pays cash, or
9 cash equivalent, for an item or service.

10 “(B) SHOPPABLE SERVICE.—The term
11 ‘shoppable service’ means a service that can be
12 scheduled by a health care consumer in advance
13 and includes all ancillary items and services
14 customarily furnished as part of such service.

15 “(C) SPECIFIED CLINICAL DIAGNOSTIC
16 LABORATORY TEST.—The term ‘specified clin-
17 ical diagnostic laboratory test’ means a clinical
18 diagnostic laboratory test other than an ad-
19 vanced diagnostic laboratory test (as defined in
20 section 1834A(d)(5) of the Social Security
21 Act).”.