

**AMENDMENT**

**OFFERED BY** *Shadeeg*

Add at the end of section 5001 of title V the following:

1 (j) PREMIUM ASSISTANCE.—No State may receive an  
 2 increase in FMAP under this section unless such State  
 3 provides individuals receiving medical assistance under  
 4 title XIX with the option to receive such assistance  
 5 through premium assistance to purchase creditable cov-  
 6 erage (as defined under section 2701 of the Public Health  
 7 Service Act) through an employer-sponsored group health  
 8 plan or through individual insurance offered by an insurer  
 9 licensed in ~~the~~ State, where the individual resides.

*with coverage  
 and benefits  
 equal to or  
 better than  
 Medicaid benefits  
 offered by such  
 state*

