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To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to assure pharmacy access and choice for Medicare beneficiaries.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mrs. BLACKBURN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 "Neighborhood Options
- 5 for Patients Buying Medicines Act" or the "NO PBMs
- 6 Act".

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1	SEC. 2. ASSURING PHARMACY ACCESS AND CHOICE FOR
2	MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES.
3	Section $1860D-4(b)(1)$ of the Social Security Act (42)
4	U.S.C. 1395w–104(b)(1)) is amended by striking subpara-
5	graph (A) and inserting the following:
6	"(A) IN GENERAL.—
7	"(i) PARTICIPATION OF ANY WILLING
8	PHARMACY.—A PDP sponsor offering a
9	prescription drug plan or a pharmacy ben-
10	efit manager acting to develop a pharmacy
11	network on behalf of such plan shall per-
12	mit the participation of any pharmacy that
13	meets the standard contract terms and
14	conditions under such plan to participate
15	as a network pharmacy of such plan.
16	"(ii) Contract terms and condi-
17	TIONS.—In accordance with clause (i), con-
18	tract terms and conditions offered by such
19	PDP sponsor or pharmacy benefit man-
20	ager shall be reasonable and relevant. Not-
21	withstanding any other provision of law,
22	not later than January 1, 2026, the Sec-
23	retary shall establish standards for reason-
24	able and relevant contract terms and con-
25	ditions for purposes of this clause.".