SA 1410. Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1868, to prevent across-the-board direct spending cuts, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF MEDICARE SEQUESTRATION.

(a) EXTENSION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3709(a) of division A of the CARES Act (2 U.S.C. 901a note) is amended by striking ''March 31, 2021'' and inserting ''December 31, 2021''.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by paragraph (1) shall take effect as if enacted as part of the CARES Act (Public Law 116–136).

(b) OFFSET.—Section 251A(6)(C) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (2 U.S.C. 901a(6)(C)) is amended—

(1) in clause (i)—

(A) by striking ''first 6 months'' and inserting ''first 5 ½ months'';

(B) by striking ''4.0 percent'' and inserting ''2.0 percent''; and

(C) by striking ''and'' at the end;

(2) in clause (ii)—

(A) by striking ''second 6 months'' and inserting ''6-month period beginning on the day after the last day of the period described in clause (i)''; and

(B) by striking ''0.0 percent.'' and inserting ''4.0 percent; and''; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

''(iii) with respect to the remaining ½ month in which such order is so effective for such fiscal year, the payment reduction shall be 0.0 percent.''.

SEC. 2. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

(a) RURAL HEALTH CLINIC PAYMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1833(f)(3) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395l(f)(3)) is amended—

(A) in subparagraph (A)—

(i) in clause (i), by striking subclauses (I) and (II) and inserting the following:

''(I) with respect to a rural health clinic that had a per visit payment amount established for services furnished in 2020—

''(aa) the per visit payment amount applicable to such rural health clinic for rural health clinic services furnished in 2020, increased by the percentage increase in the MEI applicable to primary care services furnished as of the first day of 2021; or

''(bb) the limit described in paragraph (2)(A); and

''(II) with respect to a rural health clinic that did not have a per visit payment amount established for services furnished in 2020—

''(aa) the per visit payment amount applicable to such rural health clinic for rural health clinic services furnished in 2021; or

''(bb) the limit described in paragraph (2)(A); and''; and

(ii) in clause (ii)(I), by striking ''under clause (i)(I)'' and inserting ''under subclause (I) or (II) of clause (i), as applicable,''; and

(B) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the following:

''(B) A rural health clinic described in this subparagraph is a rural health clinic that—

''(i) as of December 31, 2020, was in a hospital with less than 50 beds and after such date such hospital continues to have less than 50 beds (not taking into account any increase in the number of beds pursuant to a waiver under subsection (b)(1)(A) of section 1135 during the emergency period described in subsection (g)(1)(B) of such section); and

''(ii)(I) as of December 31, 2020, was enrolled under section 1866(j) (including temporary enrollment during such emergency period for such emergency period); or

''(II) submitted an application for enrollment under section 1866(j) (or a request for such a temporary enrollment for such emergency period) that was received not later than December 31, 2020.''.

(2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this subsection shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260).

(b) ADDITIONAL AMOUNT FOR CERTAIN HOSPITALS WITH HIGH DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE.—Effective as if included in the enactment of section 203(a) of title II of division CC of Public Law 116–260, subsection (g) of section 1923 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396r–4), as amended by such section, is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(3) CONTINUED APPLICATION OF GRANDFATHERED TRANSITION RULE.—Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of this subsection (as in effect on October 1, 2021), paragraph (2) of this subsection (as in effect on September 30, 2021, and as applied under section 4721(e) of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, and amended by section 607 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999 (Public Law 106–113)) shall apply in determining whether a payment adjustment for a hospital in a State referenced in section 4721(e) of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 during a State fiscal year shall be considered consistent with subsection (c).''.

SA 1411. Mr. SCOTT of Florida proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1868, to prevent across-the-board direct spending cuts, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike section 2(b).

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. BOOKER. Mr. President, I have 9 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 25, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in 106 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC, in order to conduct a hearing entitled ''Child Nutrition Reauthorization: Healthy Meals and Healthy Futures.''

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on U.S. Special Operations Command and U.S. Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and the Future Years Defense Program.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 12 p.m., in closed session to receive a briefing on U.S. Special Operations Command and U.S. Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and the Future Years Defense Program.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 10 a.m. to meet in open session to conduct a hearing entitled, ''American Rescue Plan: Shots in Arms and Money in Pockets.''

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate in order to hold a hearing on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 9:45 a.m. in Room SD–366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., virtually using Webex, to conduct a hearing entitled ''How U.S. International Tax Policy Impacts American Workers, Jobs, and Investment.''

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 10 a.m. to hold a subcommittee hearing on ''U.S. Response to the Coup in Burma.''

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions is authorized to meet, during the session of the Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled ''Examining Our COVID–19 Response: Improving Health Equity and Outcomes by Addressing Health Disparities'' on Thursday, March 25, at 10 a.m., in room 430 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 25, at 10:15 a.m. in order to conduct a hearing on the nomination of Deanne B. Criswell to be Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask that the Chair initiate the agreed-upon procedures with respect to the Adeyemo nomination.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will proceed to executive session to consider the following nomination, which the clerk will report.