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SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015”

SEC. 524. EXTENSION OF SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000.

(a) **PAYMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014 AND 2015.**—

(1) **PAYMENTS REQUIRED.**—Section 101 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7111) is amended by striking “2013” both places it appears and inserting “2015”.

(2) **PROMPT PAYMENT.**—Payments for fiscal year 2014 under title I of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7111 et seq.), as amended by this section, shall be made not later than 45 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(3) **REDUCTION IN FISCAL YEAR 2014 PAYMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF PREVIOUS 25- AND 50-PERCENT PAYMENTS.**—Section 101 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7111) is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

“(c) **SPECIAL RULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 PAYMENTS.**—

“(1) **STATE PAYMENT.**—If an eligible county in a State that will receive a share of the State payment for fiscal year 2014 has already received, or will receive, a share of the 25-percent payment for fiscal year 2014 distributed to the State before the date of the enactment of this subsection, the amount of the State payment shall be reduced by the amount of that eligible county’s share of the 25-percent payment.

“(2) **COUNTY PAYMENT.**—If an eligible county that will receive a county payment for fiscal year 2014 has already received a 50-percent payment for that fiscal year, the amount of the county payment shall be reduced by the amount of the 50-percent payment.”.

(4) **SHARES OF CALIFORNIA STATE PAYMENT.**—Section 103(d)(2) of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7113(d)(2)) is amended by striking “2013” and inserting “2015”.

(b) **USE OF FISCAL YEAR 2013 ELECTIONS AND RESERVATIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014 AND 2015.**—Section 102 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7112) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)(1), by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(C) **EFFECT OF LATE PAYMENT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014 AND 2015.**—The election otherwise required by subparagraph (A) shall not apply for fiscal year 2014 or 2015.”;

(2) in subsection (b)(2)—
(A) in subparagraph (A), by adding at the end the following new sentence: “If such two-fiscal year period included fiscal year 2013, the county election to receive a share of the 25-percent payment or 50-percent payment, as applicable, also shall be effective for fiscal years 2014 and 2015.”; and

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “2013” the second place it appears and inserting “2015”; and

(3) in subsection (d)—

(A) by adding at the end of paragraph (1) the following new subparagraph:

“(E) **EFFECT OF LATE PAYMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014.**—The election made by an eligible county under subparagraph (B), (C), or (D) for fiscal year 2013, or deemed to be made by the county under paragraph (3)(B) for that fiscal year, shall be effective for fiscal years 2014 and 2015.”; and

(B) by adding at the end of paragraph (3) the following new subparagraph:

“(C) EFFECT OF LATE PAYMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014.— This paragraph does not apply for fiscal years 2014 and 2015.”.

(c) SPECIAL PROJECTS ON FEDERAL LAND.—Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7121 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 203(a)(1) (16 U.S.C. 7123(a)(1)), by striking “September 30 for fiscal year 2008 (or as soon thereafter as the Secretary concerned determines is practicable), and each September 30 thereafter for each succeeding fiscal year through fiscal year 2013” and inserting “September 30 of each fiscal year (or a later date specified by the Secretary concerned for the fiscal year)”;

(2) in section 204(e)(3)(B)(iii) (16 U.S.C. 7124(e)(3)(B)(iii)), by striking “each of fiscal years 2010 through 2013” and inserting “fiscal year 2010 and fiscal years thereafter”;

(3) in section 207(a) (16 U.S.C. 7127(a)), by striking “September 30, 2008 (or as soon thereafter as the Secretary concerned determines is practicable), and each September 30 thereafter for each succeeding fiscal year through fiscal year 2013” and inserting “September 30 of each fiscal year (or a later date specified by the Secretary concerned for the fiscal year)”;

and

(4) in section 208 (16 U.S.C. 7128)—

(A) in subsection (a), by striking “2013” and inserting “2017”; and

(B) in subsection (b), by striking “2014” and inserting “2018”.

(d) COUNTY FUNDS.—Section 304 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7144) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a), by striking “2013” and inserting “2017”; and

(2) in subsection (b), by striking “2014” and inserting “2018”.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 402 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7152) is amended by striking “for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2013”.