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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Berman) recommended the following:

1 **Senate Amendment to Amendment (383522) (with title**
2 **amendment)**

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4 Delete lines 90 - 96
5 and insert:

6 voluntary inquiry on its patient admission or registration forms
7 for the patient or the patient's representative to state or
8 indicate whether the patient is a United States citizen or
9 whether the patient is lawfully present in the United States or
10 is not lawfully present in the United States. The patient or the



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11 patient's representative must be informed that answering this
12 question is optional, both in writing accompanying the question
13 on the registration form and verbally by hospital staff in a
14 language understood by the patient or the patient's
15 representative. The voluntary inquiry must be followed by both
16 written and verbal statements in a language understood by the
17 patient or the patient's representative that the response will
18 not affect the patient's care or result in a report of the
19 patient's immigration status to immigration authorities.
20 Hospital staff need not inquire into a patient's immigration
21 status if doing so would be contrary to ethics guidelines set
22 forth by the American Medical Association.

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24 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 Delete line 1099

27 and insert:

28 include a voluntary inquiry into the patient's
29 immigration status on