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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. DeGette introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ________________

A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Covering Coronavirus Test Act of 2020”.
SEC. 2. REQUIRING GROUP HEALTH PLANS AND HEALTH INSURANCE ISSUERS OFFERING GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE TO COVER COVID-19 TESTING WITHOUT COST SHARING.

Section 2713 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg–11) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking “and” at the end;

(B) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at the end and inserting a semicolon;

(C) in paragraph (4), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”;

(D) by redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (6); and

(E) by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph:

“(5) any service consisting of a test furnished for purposes of diagnosing COVID-19.”; and

(2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(3) CLARIFICATION OF NONAPPLICATION OF INTERVAL TO COVID-19 LABORATORY TESTS.—The interval described in paragraph (1) shall not apply to services described in subsection (a)(5).”.