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AMENDMENT NO.	5

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Purpose: To allow for an alternative reimbursement methodology for air ambulance services provided to communities inaccessible by road.

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A	MENDMENT intended to be proposed by Ms. Murkowski
Viz	:
1	On page 23, line 15, strike "subsection (c)." and in-
2	sert "subsection (c), or, for eligible circumstances, the al-
3	ternative reimbursement rate determined under subsection
4	(d).".
5	On page 26, between lines 8 and 9, insert the fol-
6	lowing:
7	"(d) ALTERNATIVE REIMBURSEMENT RATE.—For
8	purposes of this section, the term 'alternative reimburse-
9	ment rate' means a rate determined through an alter-
0	native reimbursement methodology established by the Sec-

11 retary through rulemaking. Such methodology shall take

- 1 into account both market concentration and provider ac-
- 2 cess considerations, and shall include the establishment of
- 3 an alternative benchmark payment or independent dispute
- 4 resolution process. The alternative reimbursement rate
- 5 shall apply to air ambulance services delivered to commu-
- 6 nities inaccessible by road.".