Purpose: To reduce the federal matching rate for Medicaid expansions and prevent the federal government from making an unrealistic promise to States to fund any State’s expansion of the Medicaid program at a higher level of federal reimbursement.

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Viz:

1. At the appropriate place, add the following:

2. SEC. ___. DEFICIT-REDUCTION RESERVE FUND RELATING TO PREVENTING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FROM PROVIDING ENHANCED FUNDING FOR ANY STATE’S EXPANSION OF THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.

3. The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations of a committee or committees aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for one or more bills, joint resolutions, amendments, motions, or conference reports relating to reducing the federal medical assistance percentages in Medicaid, provided that such legislation would reduce the deficit over either the period of the total of fiscal years 2014 through 2018 or the period of the total of fiscal years 2014 through 2023. The Chairman may also make adjustments to the Senate’s pay-as-you-go ledger over 5 and 10 years to
ensure that the deficit reduction achieved is used for deficit reduction only. The adjustments authorized under this section shall be the amount of deficit reduction achieved.