**ANCOR Amendments to Grassley-Wyden Amendment #1 to the Chairman’s Mark**

**Title**:  Transition to Independence Medicaid Demonstration

**Purpose**: The purpose of this amendment is to increase the opportunities youth with disabilities have to transition to independent living and work in the community.

**Description of Amendment**: This amendment authorizes the Secretary to create an up to ten-state Medicaid demonstration program. The demonstration program would create a bonus pool that requires states to do the following:

* States will receive bonus payments for meeting minimum standards for Medicaid Buy-In Program;
* States will receive bonus payments for achieving increases in number of people with disabilities in integrated, individualized supported employment by 25%, 50%, 75% and 100%, with different bonus payments at each level;
* States will receive a bonus payment for establishing an inter-agency collaboration agreement between vocational rehabilitation, education department (particularly through coordination with the PROMISE grant), and the state Medicaid authority in determining payer of last resort rules and laying out seamless transition of service-provision;
* States will receive bonus payments for reducing new admissions for sheltered work programs;
* Bonus payments must be directed to the expansion of service supports, job training for people with disabilities and financial incentives to providers to transition from facility based employment services to integrated supported employment.
* Demonstrations must track and report specific outcomes, which shall include data that tracks outcomes for people that are not successful in attaining or maintaining, integrated employment.
* State demonstrations shall establish a stakeholder advisory committee to provide timely input for recommendations and action steps pursuant to the demonstration, and to analyze outcomes data and other information. Members must include people with disabilities, private providers, and representative advocates for people with disabilities. T
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The demonstration would focus on individuals with disabilities covered under the state Medicaid program between ages 14 and 30.

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