To amend title II of the Social Security Act to eliminate the waiting periods for disability insurance benefits and Medicare coverage for individuals with metastatic breast cancer, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Metastatic Breast Cancer Access to Care Act”.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF WAITING PERIOD FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH METASTATIC BREAST CANCER.

(a) In General.—Section 223(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 423(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), in the matter following subparagraph (E), by inserting “or metastatic breast cancer” after “amyotrophic lateral sclerosis”;

and

(2) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting “or (iii)” after “clause (ii)”.

(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to applications for disability insurance benefits filed after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 3. WAIVER OF 24-MONTH WAITING PERIOD FOR MEDICARE COVERAGE OF INDIVIDUALS WITH METASTATIC BREAST CANCER.

(a) In General.—Section 226(h) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 426(h)) is amended by inserting “or metastatic breast cancer” after “amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS)”.

(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to benefits for months beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.