

HR 1648

Emergency Ambulance Services Access Assurance Act of 2001

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations. (Jun 20, 2001)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]

Party: Republican • State: MI • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		May 1, 2001
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Jun 12, 2001
Rep. Murtha, John P. [D-PA-12]	D · PA		Jun 12, 2001
Rep. English, Phil [R-PA-21]	R · PA		Jun 13, 2001
Rep. Hinchey, Maurice D. [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Jun 13, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 20, 2001
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 15, 2001
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	May 10, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Emergency Ambulance Services Access Assurance Act of 2001 - Amends the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) to require a group health plan, or coverage offered in connection with a health insurance issuer, if it provides emergency services coverage, to cover emergency services (and, if it provides coverage for emergency ambulance services, to cover emergency ambulance services): (1) without a prior authorization requirement; (2) whether or not the provider is a participating provider; (3) in a manner so that, if the services are provided by a nonparticipating provider without prior authorization, the participant, beneficiary, or enrollee is not liable for amounts exceeding the amount that would be incurred with a participating provider with authorization; and (4) without regard to most other conditions of coverage. Defines "emergency medical condition" by a prudent layperson standard.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to apply the same requirements and standard to a group health plan.

Amends the Public Health Service Act to apply the same requirements to an issuer in the individual market.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 20, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **May 15, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 10, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 1, 2001:** Introduced in House
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- **May 1, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E692)
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