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Medicare Patient Access to Physical Therapists Act of 2002

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Apr 29, 2002

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Apr 29, 2002)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]

Party: Democratic • State: AR • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	$R \cdot PA$		Apr 29, 2002
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 11, 2002
Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]	$R \cdot NV$		Oct 15, 2002
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 29, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 29, 2002)

Medicare Patient Access to Physical Therapists Act of 2002 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to authorize qualified physical therapists to provide services for Medicare beneficiaries without the requirement of a physician referral.

Provides for treatment of outpatient speech-language pathology services separately from outpatient physical therapy services.

Actions Timeline
 Apr 29, 2002: Introduced in Senate Apr 29, 2002: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.