

HR 279

Medicare HMO Improvement Act of 2001

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Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: RI • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Barcia, James A. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Jan 30, 2001
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Jan 30, 2001
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-50]	D · CA		Jan 30, 2001
Rep. Frost, Martin [D-TX-24]	D · TX		Jan 30, 2001
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 14, 2001
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 9, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Medicare HMO Improvement Act of 2001 - Amends part C (Medicare+Choice) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act with regard to contracts with Medicare+Choice organizations to: (1) provide for extension of the initial Medicare+Choice contract period from one year to two years; and (2) require termination of any contract with an organization that terminates coverage for any part of a metropolitan statistical area (or a New England County Metropolitan Area).

Authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services to delay the effectiveness of a Medicare+Choice organization's termination of its plan with respect to all individuals in an area, if: (1) the termination would cause an imminent and serious health risk to enrollees; (2) the termination would result in a significant reduction in the Medicare+Choice plans available in the area affected; or (3) the chief executive officer of the State in which the termination occurs requests such a delay.

Provides for continuity of care, for a limited period, in certain cases of involuntary termination (other than for cause) of an individual's enrollment with a Medicare+Choice plan.

Actions Timeline

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