

HR 3545

Medicare Rural Ambulance Service Improvement Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Dec 19, 2001

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Dec 28, 2001)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/house-bill/3545>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Murtha, John P. [D-PA-12]

Party: Democratic • State: PA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (15 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Baldacci, John Elias [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Apr 18, 2002
Rep. Ross, Mike [D-AR-4]	D · AR		Apr 18, 2002
Rep. Simmons, Rob [R-CT-2]	R · CT		Apr 18, 2002
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jun 5, 2002
Rep. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV-2]	R · WV		Jun 5, 2002
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-50]	D · CA		Jun 5, 2002
Rep. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT-At Large]	I · VT		Jun 5, 2002
Rep. Evans, Lane [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Jul 24, 2002
Rep. Millender-McDonald, Juanita [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Jul 24, 2002
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Jul 24, 2002
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Oct 10, 2002
Rep. Dooley, Calvin M. [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Oct 10, 2002
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Oct 10, 2002
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Oct 10, 2002
Rep. Shows, Ronnie [D-MS-4]	D · MS		Oct 10, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 28, 2001
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 19, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

---

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Dec 19, 2001)

---

Medicare Rural Ambulance Service Improvement Act of 2001 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA), as amended by the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to increase by 20 percent the payment under Medicare for rural ambulance services. Increases by \$7.50 per mile the payment rate for the first 17 miles of an ambulance trip transporting a patient. Provides for determination of rural areas based on population density by postal zip codes.

Requires the use of recent data for calculation of budget neutrality adjustments to payments for ambulance services.

Exempts ambulance suppliers from certain provider designation rules.

Directs the Secretary to determine and apply separately the reasonable costs of ground and air ambulance services.

## Actions Timeline

---

- **Dec 28, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 20, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E2344-2345)
- **Dec 19, 2001:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 19, 2001:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 19, 2001:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Dec 19, 2001:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Dec 19, 2001:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.