

HR 3854

Medicare Prescription Drug Cost Containment Act of 2004

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Policy Area: Health

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Party: Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** Senate

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Rep. Bartlett, Roscoe G. [R-MD-6]	R · MD		Feb 26, 2004
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Feb 26, 2004
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Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Feb 26, 2004
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Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]	R · GA		Feb 26, 2004
Rep. Pence, Mike [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Feb 26, 2004
Rep. Smith, Nick [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Feb 26, 2004
Rep. Tancredo, Thomas G. [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Feb 26, 2004
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Mar 4, 2004
Rep. Paul, Ron [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Mar 4, 2004
Rep. Garrett, Scott [R-NJ-5]	R · NJ		Mar 9, 2004
Rep. Burton, Dan [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Mar 16, 2004
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	R · FL		Mar 18, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 11, 2004
Rules Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 26, 2004
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 5, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 2130	Identical bill	Feb 26, 2004: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Feb 26, 2004)

Medicare Prescription Drug Cost Containment Act of 2004 - Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services, on the same date on which the President submits a budget to Congress, to submit to Congress a determination as to whether there is projected to be excess general revenue Medicare prescription drug funding for the fiscal year for which the budget is submitted, and if there is an affirmative determination it shall be treated as a Medicare part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program) funding warning in the fiscal year beginning on October 1 of the year in which the determination is submitted to Congress.

Amends Federal money and finance law, as amended by the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, to direct the President to submit to Congress proposed legislation to respond to such a Medicare part D funding warning made in a year within the 15-day period beginning on the date of the budget submission to Congress for the succeeding year. Provides that such amendment shall not apply if, during the year in which the warning is made, legislation is enacted which eliminates excess general revenue Medicare funding for the period beginning with the fiscal year for which the determination is made and ending on September 30, 2013, as certified by the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund not later than 30 days after the enactment of such legislation.

Expresses the sense of Congress that legislation submitted pursuant to such amendment in a year should be designed to eliminate excess general revenue Medicare funding for the period that begins with the fiscal year for which the determination is made and ends on September 30, 2013.

Sets out the special procedures for House and Senate consideration of the President's legislative proposal in response to such warning.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 11, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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- **Feb 26, 2004:** Introduced in House
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