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Medicare Hospice Demonstration Act of 2005

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]

Party: Democratic • **State:** OR • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 11, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Medicare Hospice Demonstration Act of 2005 - Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish Hospice Demonstration Projects to increase the utility of Medicare (title XVIII of the Social Security Act (SSA)) hospice services for seriously ill Medicare beneficiaries. Includes a supportive and comfort care benefit within such program. Requires the Secretary to conduct demonstration projects in from three to six sites. Sets forth the criteria for selecting such sites, including geographic diversity and accessibility. Requires special rules for adjusting payment to any Medicare Advantage (SSA title XVIII part C) organization offering a Medicare Advantage plan to reflect an enrolled member's participation in such a project.

Directs the Secretary to establish a Hospice Education Grant program under which the Secretary awards education grants to entities participating in the demonstration projects for the purpose of providing information about benefits under this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 11, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4940-4941)
- **May 11, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4944-4946)