

S 1214

Equity in Prescription Insurance and Contraceptive Coverage Act of 2005

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

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

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Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 20, 2005
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jun 20, 2005
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 20, 2005
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 23, 2005
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		May 11, 2006
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		May 11, 2006
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Dec 5, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 9, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4651	Related bill	Mar 27, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

Summary (as of Jun 9, 2005)

Equity in Prescription Insurance and Contraceptive Coverage Act of 2005 - Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Public Health Service Act to prohibit a group health plan, and a health insurance issuer providing group coverage, from: (1) excluding or restricting benefits for prescription contraceptive drugs, devices, and outpatient services if the plan provides benefits for other outpatient prescription drugs, devices, or outpatient services; (2) denying eligibility based on use or potential use of such items or services; (3) providing monetary payments or rebates to a covered individual to encourage acceptance of less than the minimum protections available; (4) penalizing, reducing, or limiting a professional's reimbursement because the professional prescribed such drugs or devices or provided such services; or (5) providing incentives to a professional to induce the professional to withhold such drugs, devices, or services. Applies such prohibitions to coverage offered in the individual market.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 9, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- Jun 9, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6316-6317)
- Jun 9, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.