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HR 1447

Seniors Mental Health Access Improvement Act of 2005

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Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	$D \cdot TN$		Jun 17, 2005
Rep. Pickering, Charles W. "Chip" [R-MS-3]	$R \cdot MS$		Jun 29, 2005
Rep. Ford, Harold E., Jr. [D-TN-9]	$D \cdot TN$		Jul 14, 2005
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2005
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Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	$R \cdot IN$		Apr 6, 2006
Rep. Boucher, Rick [D-VA-9]	$D \cdot VA$		Jun 6, 2006
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Jun 7, 2006
Rep. Davis, Artur [D-AL-7]	D·AL		Jul 12, 2006
Rep. Allen, Thomas H. [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Nov 9, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2005
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 28, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 5324	Related bill	May 15, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
109 S 784	Related bill	Apr 14, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3657-3658)

Summary (as of Mar 17, 2005)

Seniors Mental Health Access Improvement Act of 2005 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under Medicare part B (Supplementary Medical Insurance) of marriage and family therapist services generally, and particularly such services provided in rural health clinics and in hospice programs. Authorizes marriage and family therapists to develop discharge plans for post-hospital services.

Amends Medicare part C (Miscellaneous) to exclude such services from the skilled nursing facility prospective payment system.

Actions Timeline

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