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# S 1646

A bill to provide for the care of veterans affected by Hurricane Katrina.

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Armed Forces and National Security

Introduced: Sep 8, 2005

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S9 Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S9849-

9850) (Sep 8, 2005)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/1646

### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]

Party: Democratic • State: HI • Chamber: Senate

# Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Sep 8, 2005
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	$D \cdot NV$		Sep 8, 2005
Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D · CO		Sep 12, 2005
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Sep 14, 2005

### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Veterans' Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 9, 2005

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

# **Policy Area:**

Armed Forces and National Security

# **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Sep 8, 2005)

Directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish necessary hospital care and medical services to each priority 8 veteran (low-priority, middle income veterans) affected by Hurricane Katrina as if such veteran was enrolled in the Department of Veterans Affairs annual patient enrollment system and was eligible for such care under certain higher priority standards. Prohibits the collection of copayments from such veterans for such care (including for medications).

# Actions Timeline Sep 8, 2005: Introduced in Senate Sep 8, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S9849) Sep 8, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S9849-9850)