

HR 1652

Access to Legal Pharmaceuticals Act

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Committee Activity

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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | May 13, 2005 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|--------------|---|
| 109 HR 1539 | Related bill | Apr 22, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |
| 109 S 809 | Related bill | Apr 14, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3685-3686) |

Summary (as of Apr 14, 2005)

Access to Legal Pharmaceuticals Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require any pharmacy receiving prescription drugs or prescription devices in interstate commerce to: (1) ensure that any in stock prescription that one pharmacist refuses to fill on the basis of a personal belief is filled by another pharmacist employed by the pharmacy without delay; (2) ensure that any individual who presents a prescription for an item that is not in stock which one pharmacist refuses to order on the basis of a personal belief is immediately informed that the product can be ordered by the pharmacy and to order such product without delay; and (3) not employ any pharmacist who engages in any conduct with the intent to prevent or deter an individual from filling a valid prescription, including refusing to return a prescription form, refusing to transfer a prescription, or subjecting the individual to humiliation or harassment.

Provides that this Act does not require the pharmacy to keep any particular product in stock nor does it apply with respect to a product for a health condition if the pharmacy does not keep in stock any product for such condition.

Sets forth civil penalties. Allows a private cause of action for a violation of this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **May 13, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 15, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E658)
- **Apr 14, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 14, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 14, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.