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Meeting Our Responsibility to Medicare Beneficiaries Act of 2005

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 24, 2005

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 5064	Related bill	Apr 19, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman .

Summary (as of Jan 24, 2005)

Meeting Our Responsibility to Medicare Beneficiaries Act of 2005 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) with respect to: (1) negotiating fair prices for Medicare prescription drugs; (2) elimination of the MA Regional Plan Stabilization Fund; (3) application of risk adjustment reflecting characteristics for the entire Medicare population in payments to Medicare advantage organizations; (4) modification of the annual out-of-pocket threshold with respect to prescription drug benefits; (5) requiring two prescription drug plans to avoid Federal fallback; (6) waiver of the part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program); (7) transition of full-benefit dual eligible individuals to coverage under the Medicare drug benefit; and (8) Medicare part B (Supplementary Medical Insurance) premium reduction.

Directs the Secretary to study and report to Congress on providing incentives to preserve retiree coverage.

Amends SSA title XVIII to direct the Secretary to make certain information regarding the sponsor of a qualified prescription drug plan receiving a subsidy under the prescription drug program available to the public through the Internet website of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Actions Timeline

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