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## S 1822

Medicare HEALS Act of 2005 Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Oct 5, 2005

Current Status: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11853)

Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11853) (Oct 26, 2005)

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#### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]

Party: Democratic • State: WA • Chamber: Senate

#### **Cosponsors** (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	$D \cdot WA$		Oct 5, 2005
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Nov 15, 2005

#### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 5, 2005

#### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Oct 5, 2005)

Medicare Help for Every beneficiary And Low income Senior Act of 2005 or Medicare HEALS Act of 2005 - Amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act (SSA), as amended by the Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003, to repeal the prohibition on the use of Medicaid funds to provide wrap-around prescription drug coverage for individuals dually eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid. Provides for a reduction in clawback payments by the amount of wrap-around payments.

Amends SSA title XVIII (Medicare) to provide that a part D eligible individual who enrolls for the first time in a prescription drug plan or a MedicareAdvantage-Prescription Drug (MA-PD) plan prior to January 1, 2008, shall not be subject to a penalty increase in the monthly beneficiary premium established with respect to months occurring prior to such date.

# **Actions Timeline**

- Oct 26, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11853)
- Oct 5, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Oct 5, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11139-11140)
- Oct 5, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.