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# S 2255

Medicare Drug Formulary Protection Act

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Feb 8, 2006

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Feb 8, 2006)

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#### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]

Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: Senate

#### Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	<b>Date Joined</b>
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Chafee, Lincoln [R-RI]	$R \cdot RI$		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	$D \cdot NY$		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	D · ND		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		Feb 8, 2006
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Feb 13, 2006

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 8, 2006

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 5263	Related bill	May 15, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
109 S 2665	Related bill	Apr 27, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
109 HR 5102	Related bill	Apr 19, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
109 HR 5116	Related bill	Apr 19, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Medicare Drug Formulary Protection Act - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to prohibit removal of covered part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program) drugs from a prescription drug plan formulary, or imposition of a restriction or limitation on the coverage of such a drug, during the plan year: (1) except at the beginning; or (2) for an individual enrollee, from the date of enrollment until December 31 of the immediately succeeding plan year. Specifies exceptions to such prohibition. Requires an annual notice to enrollees of changes in formulary and other restrictions or limitations on coverage.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Feb 8, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 8, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S865-866)
- Feb 8, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.