

HR 2869

Ending the Medicare Disability Waiting Period Act of 2004

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | Jul 1, 2005 |
| Transportation and Infrastructure Committee | House | Referred to | Jun 14, 2005 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred to | Jun 27, 2005 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred to | Jun 27, 2005 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|-------------------|--|
| 109 S 1217 | Related bill | Jun 9, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6322) |
| 109 HR 2343 | Text similarities | May 23, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman. |

Ending the Medicare Disability Waiting Period Act of 2005 - Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to: (1) phase out the waiting period for disabled individuals to become eligible for Medicare benefits under SSA title XVIII (Medicare); and (2) eliminate the waiting period for individuals with life-threatening conditions to become eligible for such benefits.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to request the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences to study the range of disability conditions that can be delayed or prevented if individuals receive access to health care services and coverage before a condition reaches disability levels.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 1, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- **Jun 27, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 14, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads.
- **Jun 13, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 13, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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