

HR 2946

Osteoporosis Early Detection and Prevention Act of 2005

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations. (Jul 25, 2005)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]

Party: Democratic • State: NY • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hart, Melissa A. [R-PA-4]	R · PA		Jun 16, 2005
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jun 30, 2005
Rep. Owens, Major R. [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Jun 30, 2005
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Jun 30, 2005
Rep. Hinchey, Maurice D. [D-NY-22]	D · NY		Jul 19, 2005
Rep. Lantos, Tom [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Jul 21, 2005
Rep. Kildee, Dale E. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Nov 18, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 25, 2005
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 1, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Osteoporosis Early Detection and Prevention Act of 2005 - Amends the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) to require a group health plan, and an insurer offering group coverage, to include coverage for bone mass measurement for individuals who: (1) are at a clinical risk for osteoporosis, including estrogen-deficient women; (2) have vertebral abnormalities; (3) are receiving chemotherapy or long-term glucocorticoid (steroid) therapy; (4) have primary hyperparathyroidism, hyperthyroidism, or excess thyroid replacement; or (5) are being monitored to assess the response to or efficacy of approved osteoporosis drug therapy. Allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services to regulate the frequency with which individuals will be provided this benefit. Permits cost sharing, including deductibles and coinsurance. Prohibits specified actions discouraging the use of this benefit, including: (1) denying coverage; (2) offering incentives to not obtain or provide bone mass measurements; (3) restricting provider-patient communications; and (4) penalizing or limiting reimbursements to providers. Allows state laws providing greater detection or prevention benefits. Amends the Public Health Service Act to apply these requirements to coverage offered in the individual market.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jul 25, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **Jul 1, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 17, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1258)
- **Jun 16, 2005:** Introduced in House
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