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# S 3516

Rural Equity Payment Index Reform Extension Act of 2006

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Jun 15, 2006

Current Status: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11244-11245)

Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11244-11245) (Dec 6, 2006)

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# **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]

Party: Democratic • State: NM • Chamber: Senate

# Cosponsors (16 total)

| Cosponsor                       | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]     | $D\cdotWA$    |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]       | $R \cdot MS$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]   | $R \cdot ME$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]   | $R \cdot NM$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]         | $D \cdot IA$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]  | $I \cdot VT$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]   | D·LA          |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR] | $D \cdot AR$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]       | $D\cdotWA$    |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]       | $D\cdotIL$    |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]        | D · CO        |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]      | $R \cdot AL$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]   | $R \cdot ME$  |      | Jun 15, 2006 |
| Sen. Kyl, Jon [R-AZ]            | $R \cdot AZ$  |      | Jun 22, 2006 |
| Sen. Thomas, Craig [R-WY]       | $R \cdot WY$  |      | Jun 22, 2006 |
| Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]  | $D \cdot IL$  |      | Sep 28, 2006 |

# **Committee Activity**

| Committee         | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Finance Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Jun 15, 2006 |

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

**Summary** (as of Jun 15, 2006)

Rural Equity Payment Index Reform Extension Act of 2006 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to extend permanently the floor (at 1.00) on the Medicare work geographic adjustment under the fee schedule for physicians' services.

(The Secretary of Health and Human Services is required, after calculating the work geographic index for payment for physicians' services furnished on or after January 1, 2004, to increase the work geographic index to 1.00 for any locality for which the calculated index is less than 1.00.)

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Dec 6, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11244-11245)
- Jun 15, 2006: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 15, 2006: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5952)
- Jun 15, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5952)