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## HR 3875

Access to Emergency Medical Services Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House Policy Area: Health Introduced: Sep 22, 2005

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## **Committee Activity**

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | Oct 7, 2005 |
| Ways and Means Committee      | House   | Referred to | Oct 2, 2005 |

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

| Bill       | Relationship | Last Action   |
|------------|--------------|---|
| 109 S 2750 | Related bill | May 4, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |
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**Summary** (as of Sep 22, 2005)

Access to Emergency Medical Services Act of 2005 - Amends the Public Health Service Act to deem hospitals, emergency rooms, physicians, and physicians groups that provide emergency care to uninsured individuals to be employees of the Public Health Service for purposes of any civil action that may arise due to items and services furnished.

Requires the Attorney General to make separate estimates as to the cost of claims expected to arise under this Act and to establish separate funds for such claims. Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to limit the total amount of payments under this Act to the amounts appropriated in advance for such purposes.

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to provide additional payments from the Federal Supplementary Insurance Trust Fund for physicians' services in the emergency department of a hospital or critical access hospital to a Medicare recipient.

Provides for incentive payments to hospitals that certify to the Secretary that they meet established standards for prompt admission by a hospital of individuals presenting to the emergency department that need inpatient hospital services.

Requires the Comptroller General to submit to the relevant congressional committees a report that evaluates whether such standards will achieve the stated objectives and recommends any changes.

Sets forth civil monetary penalties for filing a false certification and engaging in a pattern or practice of failing to meet established standards.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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