

HR 4102

Public Health Emergency Medicines Act

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Policy Area: Commerce

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 6, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commerce

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4131	Related bill	Feb 6, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

Summary (as of Oct 20, 2005)

Public Health Emergency Medicines Act - Gives the Secretary of Health and Human Services the right to authorize use of the subject matter of a patent relating to health care without authorization of the patent holder if the Secretary determines that the invention is needed to address a public health emergency. Provides for reasonable remuneration for the patent holder for use of the patent.

Allows the Secretary to authorize the use of a patent, without the patent holder's authorization, to export medicines or other health care products that are needed to address global public health emergencies when the legitimate rights of the patent holder are protected in the export market.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 6, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
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