

# HR 4568

Proficiency Testing Improvement Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Dec 16, 2005

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Jan 27, 2006)

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#### **Sponsor**

Name: Rep. Deal, Nathan [R-GA-10]

Party: Democratic • State: GA • Chamber: House

# Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Dec 16, 2005
Rep. Myrick, Sue Wilkins [R-NC-9]	$R \cdot NC$		Dec 16, 2005
Rep. Price, Tom [R-GA-6]	$R \cdot GA$		Dec 16, 2005

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 16, 2005
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 27, 2006

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

Health

### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 4268	Related bill	Nov 22, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

#### (This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Proficiency Testing Improvement Act of 2005 - Prohibits the Secretary of Health and Human Services from conducting laboratory proficiency testing of individuals involved in screening or interpreting cytological preparations for one year.

Requires the Secretary, within one year and before resuming testing, to revise such proficiency testing to: (1) reflect the collaborative clinical decision-making of laboratory personnel involved in screening or interpreting cytological preparations; (2) revise grading or scoring criteria to reflect current practice guidelines; (3) provide for such testing to be conducted no more than every two years; and (4) make such other revisions as necessary to reflect changes in laboratory operations and practices since the standards were promulgated.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Jan 27, 2006: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- Dec 17, 2005: Mr. Deal (GA) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Dec 17, 2005: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H12059-12063)
- Dec 17, 2005: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4568.
- Dec 17, 2005: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H12059)
- Dec 17, 2005: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H12059)
- Dec 17, 2005: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Dec 17, 2005: Received in the Senate.
- Dec 16, 2005: Introduced in House
- Dec 16, 2005: Introduced in House
- Dec 16, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.