

HR 4651

Equity in Prescription Insurance and Contraceptive Coverage 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. (Mar 27, 2006)

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Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Jul 13, 2006
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Watson, Diane E. [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Sep 13, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 27, 2006
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 3, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1214	Related bill	Jun 9, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Equity in Prescription Insurance and Contraceptive Coverage Act of 2005 - Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Public Health Service Act to prohibit a group health plan, and a health insurance issuer providing group coverage, from: (1) excluding or restricting benefits for prescription contraceptive drugs, devices, and outpatient services if the plan provides benefits for other outpatient prescription drugs, devices, or outpatient services; (2) denying eligibility based on use or potential use of such items or services; (3) providing monetary payments or rebates to a covered individual to encourage acceptance of less than the minimum protections available; (4) penalizing, reducing, or limiting a professional's reimbursement because the professional prescribed such drugs or devices or provided such services; or (5) providing incentives to a professional to induce the professional to withhold such drugs, devices, or services. Applies such prohibitions to coverage offered in the individual market.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 27, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **Jan 3, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 22, 2005:** Introduced in House
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