

# HR 4796

Medicare Accountability, Bargaining, and Compassion for Part D (ABC for D) Act

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#### **Sponsor**

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Party: Republican • State: KS • Chamber: Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Moore, Dennis [D-KS-3]	D · KS		Mar 14, 2006
Rep. Boozman, John [R-AR-3]	$R \cdot AR$		Mar 15, 2006
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### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 17, 2006
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 16, 2006

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

Medicare Accountability, Bargaining, and Compassion for Part D (ABC for D) Act - Expresses the sense of Congress with respect to outreach and education for the prescription drug program under Medicare part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program).

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to: (1) require registration with state insurance departments of prescription drug plan sponsors in each state in which they offer a prescription drug plan; and (2) revise requirements for the Medicare prescription drug enrollment process.

Authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services to negotiate contracts with manufacturers of covered part D drugs in order to ensure that beneficiaries pay the lowest possible price.

Provides for increased funding for state health insurance counseling programs and Social Security regional offices for part D enrollment.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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