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HR 563

Prescription Drug Affordability Act of 2005

Congress: 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

Chamber: House Policy Area: Health Introduced: Feb 2, 2005

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 25, 2005)

Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/house-bill/563

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-9]

Party: Democratic • State: MA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 25, 2005
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 14, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 2, 2005)

Prescription Drug Affordability Act of 2005 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to negotiate with covered drug manufacturers and disclose the lowest possible prices for prescription drugs under the new Medicare prescription drug program.

Directs the Secretary, acting through the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, with respect to the importation by Medicare beneficiaries of prescription drugs from Canada, to provide waivers that permit such beneficiaries to import prescription drugs from Canada.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 25, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Feb 14, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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