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HR 154

Ending the Medicare Disability Waiting Period Act of 2007

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House Policy Area: Health Introduced: Jan 4, 2007

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 2, 2007) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/house-bill/154

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 2, 2007
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 5, 2007
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 24, 2007
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 2102	Related bill	Sep 26, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S12154-12155)

Ending the Medicare Disability Waiting Period Act of 2007 - Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to: (1) phase out the waiting period for disabled individuals to become eligible for benefits under SSA title XVIII (Medicare); and (2) eliminate the waiting period for individuals with life-threatening conditions to become eligible for such benefits.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to request the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences to study the range of disability conditions that can be delayed or prevented if individuals receive access to health care services and coverage before a condition reaches disability levels.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 2, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Jan 24, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- Jan 24, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Jan 5, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
- Jan 4, 2007: Introduced in House
- Jan 4, 2007: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.