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Pharmaceutical Market Access and Drug Safety Act of 2007

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Mar 7, 2007
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 10, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 380	Identical bill	Feb 2, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.

Summary (as of Jan 10, 2007)

Pharmaceutical Market Access and Drug Safety Act of 2007 - Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA) to revise provisions governing the importation of prescription drugs. Waives the limitation on importation of prescription drugs that have been exported from the United States.

Prohibits the importation of a qualifying drug unless such drug is imported by: (1) a registered importer; or (2) an individual for personal use.

Establishes registration conditions for importers and exporters. Requires the Secretary to inspect places of business, verify chains of custody, inspect facilities, and determine compliance with registration conditions.

Sets forth provisions governing the importation of qualifying drugs that are different from U.S. label drugs, including standards for judging such differences.

Prohibits manufacturers from: (1) discriminating against registered exporters or importers; (2) causing there to be a difference in a prescription drug distributed in the United States and one distributed in a permitted country; (3) engaging in actions to restrict, prohibit, or delay the importation of a qualifying drug; or (4) engaging in any action that the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) determines discriminates against a person that engages or attempts to engage in the importation of a qualifying drug.

States that the resale in the United States of prescription drugs that were properly sold abroad is not patent infringement.

Requires the Secretary to educate consumers regarding prescription drug importation.

Sets forth provisions governing the sale of prescription drugs through an Internet site. Includes the dispensing or selling of a prescription drug in violation of this Act as a prohibited act under FFDCA.

Prohibits the introduction of restricted transactions with unregistered foreign pharmacies into a payment system or the completion of such transactions using a payment system.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 7, 2007:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation Subcommittee on Interstate Commerce, Trade, and Tourism. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 110-1189.
- **Jan 10, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 10, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S384-385)
- **Jan 10, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.