

HR 2591

To amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to limit the penalty for late enrollment under part B of the Medicare Program to 10 percent and twice the period of no enrollment, and to exclude periods of COBRA and retiree coverage from such late enrollment penalty.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 6, 2007
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 12, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 6, 2007)

Amends part B (Supplementary Medical Insurance) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to: (1) limit the penalty for late enrollment under part B to 10% and twice the period of no enrollment; and (2) exclude periods of COBRA and retiree coverage from such late enrollment penalty.

Provides for a special enrollment period for individuals whose COBRA or retiree coverage terminates.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 12, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.
- **Jun 6, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.