

HR 282

Second Opinion Coverage Act of 2007

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions. (May 9, 2007)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: CA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Jun 7, 2007
Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Jun 13, 2007
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Sep 23, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	May 9, 2007
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 2, 2007
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 18, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Second Opinion Coverage Act of 2007 - Amends the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and the Internal Revenue Code to require a group health plan and an issuer offering group coverage to provide coverage for second opinions upon request under certain circumstances, including if: (1) the participant questions the reasonableness or necessity of recommended surgical procedures or of a diagnosis or plan of care for a condition that threatens loss or substantial impairment of life, limb, or bodily function; (2) the clinical indications are not clear or are complex or confusing, a diagnosis is in doubt due to conflicting test results, or the treating health care professional is unable to diagnose the condition; (3) the treatment plan in progress is not improving the medical condition of the participant; and (4) the participant has attempted to follow the plan of care or has consulted with the initial provider concerning serious concerns about the diagnosis or plan of care.

Applies such requirements to coverage offered in the individual market.

Actions Timeline

- **May 9, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Feb 2, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials.
- **Jan 18, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 5, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 5, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E27)
- **Jan 5, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and 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.