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Medicare IVIG Access Act of 2008

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Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: May 7, 2008
Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3901-3902)
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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]
Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		May 7, 2008
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		May 7, 2008
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		Jun 3, 2008
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jun 3, 2008
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 3, 2008
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		Jun 17, 2008
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jun 17, 2008
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Sep 8, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 7, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 2914	Related bill	**Jul 6, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of May 7, 2008)

Medicare IVIG Access Act of 2008 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, upon collection of data and completion of a review, to provide, if appropriate, to physicians and hospitals furnishing intravenous immune globulins (IVIGs), an additional payment for all items related to the furnishing of IVIG in an appropriate amount.

Provides for coverage of IVIG administered in the home.

Makes disposable drug delivery systems, including elastomeric infusion pumps, for the treatment of colorectal cancer “durable medical equipment” for Medicare purposes.

Actions Timeline

- **May 7, 2008:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 7, 2008:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3900-3901)
- **May 7, 2008:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3901-3902)

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