

HR 3011

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure adequate payment amounts for drugs and biologicals under part B of the Medicare Program.

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jul 12, 2007

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jul 17, 2007)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/house-bill/3011>

Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NY • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Hall, Ralph M. [R-TX-4]	R · TX		Jul 12, 2007
Rep. Whitfield, Ed [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Jul 12, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 12, 2007
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 17, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 12, 2007)

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to revise the average sales price methodology for payment for drugs and biologicals under Medicare part B (Supplementary Medical Insurance Benefits for Aged and Disabled). Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to increase the payment amount for a drug or biological to the extent necessary to ensure that it is in no case less than the widely available market price.

Limits the prompt pay discounts included in the calculation of the manufacturer's average sales price to those discounts furnished to physicians. Excludes such discounts from the average sales price calculation for years after 2004.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 17, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 12, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 12, 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.
- **Jul 12, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.