

HR 5138

Medical Bankruptcy Fairness Act of 2008

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Finance and Financial Sector

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law. (Feb 4, 2008)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: NH • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Finance and Financial Sector

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 28, 2008)

Medical Bankruptcy Fairness Act of 2008 - Amends federal bankruptcy law to cite circumstances under which a medically distressed debtor may elect to exempt from the property of the estate in bankruptcy up to \$250,000 of the debtor's aggregate interest in specified real or personal property that the debtor (or debtor's dependent) uses as a residence, in a cooperative, or in a burial plot for the debtor or a dependent.

Revises requirements for dismissal or conversion of a Chapter 7 case to prohibit the court or specified parties in interest from filing a motion to dismiss or convert to Chapter 11 or 13 if the debtor is a medically distressed debtor or an economically distressed caregiver.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 4, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law.
- **Jan 28, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 28, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.