

## HR 5721

Strengthening the Safety Net Act of 2008

**Congress:** 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Apr 8, 2008

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 9, 2008)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/house-bill/5721>

### Sponsor

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Rep. Berry, Marion [D-AR-1]	D · AR		Jun 5, 2008
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 9, 2008

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Apr 8, 2008)

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Strengthening the Safety Net Act of 2008 - Amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to establish a disproportionate share hospital (DSH) redistribution pool from unexpended Medicaid DSH allotments to fund an increase in allotments for low DSH states.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award demonstration grants to health access networks to improve access, quality, and continuity of care for uninsured individuals through better coordination of care by such networks.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Apr 9, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 8, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 8, 2008:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E544)
- **Apr 8, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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