

# HR 6386

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend and revise incentive payments for physician scarcity areas under part B of the Medicare Program.

Congress: 110 (2007-2009, Ended)

Chamber: House Policy Area: Health Introduced: Jun 26, 2008

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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

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#### **Sponsor**

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Party: Republican • State: CA • Chamber: House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2008
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 9, 2008

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

**Summary** (as of Jun 26, 2008)

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to: (1) extend through July 1, 2012, Medicare incentive payments for physician scarcity areas; and (2) establish new rules for scarcity areas in the case of physicians' services furnished on or after July 1, 2008.

Direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to study whether the primary and specialist care ratios applied under such new rules are appropriate to provide the proper incentive payments for physician scarcity areas.

### **Actions Timeline**

- Jul 9, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Jun 26, 2008: Introduced in House
- Jun 26, 2008: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Jun 26, 2008: 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.