

HR 6393

Quit Smoking for Life Act of 2008

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: Democratic • State: CO • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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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

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 3206	Related bill	<b>Jun 26, 2008:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6291-6292)

Quit Smoking for Life Act of 2008 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to cover diagnostic, therapy, and counseling services, furnished by or under a physician's supervision, for cessation of tobacco use. Provides for payment of 80% of the lesser of the actual charge or the fee schedule amount. Eliminates the deductible.

Includes tobacco cessation agents as covered drugs under Medicare part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program).

Amends SSA titles V (Maternal and Child Health Services) and XIX (Medicaid) also to cover counseling and medication for cessation of tobacco use. Requires inclusion of anti-tobacco messages in health promotion counseling as part of quality maternal and child health services.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **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.