

## HR 1253

### Health Insurance Restrictions and Limitations Clarification Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Mar 3, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions. (Apr 29, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/1253>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Stupak, Bart [D-MI-1]	D · MI		Mar 3, 2009

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2009
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Discharged from	Mar 4, 2009
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 1, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Discharged From	Mar 30, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Health Insurance Restrictions and Limitations Clarification Act of 2009 - Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), the Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code to exclude a group health plan from prohibitions against limitations or restrictions on the amount, level, extent, or nature of the benefits of coverage for similarly situated individuals enrolled in the plan so long as: (1) such limitations and restrictions are explicit and clear; (2) such limitations and restrictions have been disclosed to the plan sponsor in writing in advance of the point of sale; (3) the plan sponsor provides a description of such limitations and restrictions to participants and beneficiaries in a form that is easily understandable before enrollment; and (4) the plan sponsor and the issuer of the coverage provide such description to the participants and beneficiaries upon their enrollment under the plan at the earliest opportunity that other materials are provided.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 29, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Apr 1, 2009:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Mar 31, 2009:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4187-4188)
- **Mar 31, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 422 - 3 (Roll no. 171). (text: CR 3/30/2009 H4087)
- **Mar 31, 2009:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 422 - 3 (Roll no. 171). (text: CR 3/30/2009 H4087)
- **Mar 31, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Reported by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 111-62, Part I.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Committee on Education and Labor discharged.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Committee on Ways and Means discharged.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 27.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Mr. Pallone moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4087-4088)
- **Mar 30, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 1253.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Mar 4, 2009:** Subcommittee on Health Discharged.
- **Mar 4, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 4, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 3, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 3, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Mar 3, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and 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.
- **Mar 3, 2009:** Referred to House Education and Labor
- **Mar 3, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Mar 3, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.