

## S 1377

A bill to provide for an automatic increase in the federal matching rate for the Medicaid program during periods of national economic downturn to help States cope with increases in Medicaid costs.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jun 25, 2009

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7090-7091)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7090-7091) (Jun 25, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/1377>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** WV • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 25, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary

 (as of Jun 25, 2009)

Amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to authorize an automatic increase in the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for any eligible state during periods of national economic downturn.

Directs the Comptroller General to analyze and report to Congress on previous periods of national economic downturn, including the most recent one, and the past and projected effects of temporary increases in the Medicaid FMAP with respect to them.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 25, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 25, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7089-7090)
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