

## HR 164

### Seniors' Health Care Freedom Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jan 6, 2009

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jan 14, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/164>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Paul, Ron [R-TX-14]

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

## Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Garrett, Scott [R-NJ-5]	R · NJ		Jan 6, 2009
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Jan 6, 2009
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	R · FL		Feb 13, 2009
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Jun 23, 2009

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 14, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 6, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Jan 6, 2009)

Seniors' Health Care Freedom Act of 2009 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to remove the affidavit requirement applicable to the use of private contracts with practitioners under Medicare.

Declares that no persons otherwise eligible for old-age benefits under Social Security shall be denied such benefits because of their voluntary refusal to participate in any part of the Medicare program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 14, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E15)
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce