

HR 1850

Quit Smoking for Life Act of 2009

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 2, 2009)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: CO • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Platts, Todd Russell [R-PA-19]	R · PA		Apr 1, 2009
Rep. Rothman, Steven R. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Oct 22, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 2, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 1, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Quit Smoking for Life Act of 2009 - 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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- **Apr 2, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 1, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 1, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Apr 1, 2009:** 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.
- **Apr 1, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means