

HR 193

AmeriCare Health Care Act of 2009

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions. (Mar 16, 2009)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Feb 26, 2009
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Feb 26, 2009
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Feb 26, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 16, 2009
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.

AmeriCare Health Care Act of 2009 - Adds a new title XXII to the Social Security Act (SSA) entitled "AmeriCare Health Benefits." Makes all U.S. residents eligible for AmeriCare benefits, including prescription drugs and biologicals. Requires the development of an AmeriCare enrollment mechanism that includes automatic enrollment at birth and the issuance of AmeriCare cards for identification and claims processing purposes.

Provides that an individual may elect not to be enrolled for benefits under AmeriCare if the individual has health benefits coverage under a group health plan at least equivalent to AmeriCare coverage.

Provides the same benefits under AmeriCare as are provided under parts A (Hospital Insurance) and B (Supplementary Medical Insurance) of SSA title XVIII (Medicare).

Provides additional AmeriCare coverage to children under age 24, pregnant women, and low-income individuals.

Establishes the AmeriCare Trust Fund.

Requires the modification of Medicaid (SSA title XIX), SCHIP (SSA title XXI [State Children's Health Insurance Program]), and other federal health programs to avoid their duplication of AmeriCare coverage.

Provides for the regulation of AmeriCare supplemental policies.

Establishes the general obligations for individuals and employers for the cost of health insurance coverage provided under this Act.

Provides for additional premium subsidies.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 16, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Jan 14, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E22-23)
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and Labor, 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 Ways and Means
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to House Education and Labor