

HR 2630

Protect Patients and Physicians Privacy Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 2, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 21, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Protect Patients and Physicians Privacy Act - Grants individuals the ability to opt out of any federally mandated, created, or funded electronic system for maintaining health care information.

Amends title XI of the Social Security Act to repeal: (1) the requirement that the Secretary of Health and Human Services adopt standards providing for standard unique health identifiers; and (2) the offense of wrongful disclosure of individually identifiable health information.

Prohibits the use of federal funds to support, encourage, or otherwise promote the use of standard unique health identifiers in any federal, state, or private health care plan.

Requires informed consent for the sharing from electronic medical records of any information created pursuant to a federally mandated, created, or funded program.

Prohibits health information from an individual medical record from being placed in a federally mandated, created, or funded electronic system of health information, absent a signed, informed consent from the patient involved.

States that the federal government may not require a health care provider to participate in any federally mandated, created, or funded electronic system of maintaining health care information.

Prohibits sanctions against a health care provider for failing to participate in such a system.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 2, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 21, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **May 21, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1242-1243)
- **May 21, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **May 21, 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.
- **May 21, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means