

HR 2777

Helping Fill the Medicare Rx Gap Act of 2009

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Rep. Boswell, Leonard L. [D-IA-3]	D · IA		Oct 15, 2009
Rep. Berkley, Shelley [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Oct 20, 2009
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Rep. Carnahan, Russ [D-MO-3]	D · MO		Dec 10, 2009

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 10, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 9, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 1201	Related bill	Jun 8, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR H6265)

Summary (as of Jun 9, 2009)

Helping Fill the Medicare Rx Gap Act of 2009 - Amends part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA), with respect to the annual out of pocket threshold, to count costs incurred in providing prescription drugs by the Indian Health Service, a federally-qualified health center, an AIDS drug assistance program, certain hospitals, or a pharmaceutical manufacturer patient assistance program.

Amends SSA title XI, with respect to criminal penalties for certain illegal remunerations, to exclude from prohibited remunerations (provide safe harbor for) any remuneration paid by a pharmaceutical manufacturer patient assistance program, either in cash or through the distribution or donation of covered Part D drugs, to an individual enrolled in a Part D plan or a Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MA-PD) plan under SSA title XVIII part C.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 10, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 9, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 9, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Jun 9, 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.
- **Jun 9, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means