

HR 3124

Health Information Technology (IT) Public Utility Act of 2009

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 9, 2009
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 8, 2009
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 10, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 890	Identical bill	Jul 6, 2009: Star Print ordered on the bill.

Summary (as of Jul 8, 2009)

Health Information Technology (IT) Public Utility Act of 2009 - Establishes within the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) a Federal Consolidated Health Information Technology Board to facilitate the implementation of electronic health record systems among safety-net health care providers, particularly small, rural providers. Sets forth the duties of the Board, which include: (1) ensuring that there is a constant interoperability between VistA (the software program utilized by the Department of Veterans Affairs [VA]) and the RPMS (the Resource and Patient Management System of the Indian Health Service); (2) updating VistA and RPMS open source software on a timely basis; (3) establishing a child-specific electronic health record; and (4) developing and integrating quality and performance measurements.

Directs the Board to establish the 21st Century Health Information Technology (HIT) Grant Program to award competitive grants to eligible safety-net health care providers to enable such providers to fully implement VistA or RPMS with respect to the patients served by such providers. Directs the Board to give preference to applicants that: (1) are located in geographical areas that have a greater likelihood of serving the same patients and utilizing interoperability to promote coordinated care management; or (2) demonstrate the greatest need for such award.

Authorizes the Board to award competitive grants to eligible long-term care providers for demonstration projects to implement VistA or RPMS with respect to the individuals served by such providers.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 10, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 9, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 8, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 8, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Jul 8, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Veterans' Affairs, and Natural Resources, 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.
- **Jul 8, 2009:** Referred to House Veterans' Affairs
- **Jul 8, 2009:** Referred to House Natural Resources