

## HR 3361

### Medicare Patient Safeguards Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jul 28, 2009

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jul 29, 2009)

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## Sponsor

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

## Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Alexander, Rodney [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Boozman, John [R-AR-3]	R · AR		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Fleming, John [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Gingrey, Phil [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Linder, John [R-GA-7]	R · GA		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Reichert, David G. [R-WA-8]	R · WA		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Jul 28, 2009
Rep. Roskam, Peter J. [R-IL-6]	R · IL		Jul 31, 2009

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 29, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 28, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Medicare Patient Safeguards Act of 2009 - Expresses the sense of Congress that: (1) efforts to make the Medicare program financially sustainable, including application of comparative effectiveness research, should not deprive patients of medically necessary care solely due to its cost or limit access to needed health care services due to a patient's age, gender, ethnicity, or disability status; and (2) Congress should protect patients' access to needed care by ensuring that the Administrator of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) relies on adequate clinical expertise when the Administrator proposes to narrow coverage for a product or service under title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act.

Establishes a process for the issuing of Medicare national coverage determinations by the Administrator. Enumerates prohibitions and conditions.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 29, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 28, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 28, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Jul 28, 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.
- **Jul 28, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means