

## HR 4018

Additional health insurance options for unemployed Americans Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Nov 4, 2009

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Nov 5, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/house-bill/4018>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Deal, Nathan [R-GA-9]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor                          | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------|-------------|
| Rep. Blunt, Roy [R-MO-7]           | R · MO        |      | Nov 4, 2009 |
| Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26] | R · TX        |      | Nov 4, 2009 |
| Rep. Buyer, Steve [R-IN-4]         | R · IN        |      | Nov 4, 2009 |
| Rep. Pitts, Joseph R. [R-PA-16]    | R · PA        |      | Nov 4, 2009 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | Nov 5, 2009 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Nov 4, 2009)

Additional Health Insurance Options for Unemployed Americans Act of 2009 - Amends the Public Health Service Act, with respect to guaranteed availability of individual health insurance coverage for individuals with prior group plan coverage, to eliminate the requirement that such individuals have exhausted benefits under COBRA (health insurance continuation benefits under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985) or a similar state program after termination of employment.

## **Actions Timeline**

---

- **Nov 5, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Nov 4, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 4, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.