

## HR 479

Wakefield Act

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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

**Cosponsors** (38 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-23]	D · CA		Jan 13, 2009
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-11]	D · FL		Jan 13, 2009
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-3]	R · NY		Jan 13, 2009
Rep. Reichert, David G. [R-WA-8]	R · WA		Jan 13, 2009
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Jan 28, 2009
Rep. Snyder, Vic [D-AR-2]	D · AR		Jan 28, 2009
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Feb 13, 2009
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Feb 13, 2009
Rep. Young, C. W. Bill [R-FL-10]	R · FL		Feb 13, 2009
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Feb 23, 2009
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-1]	D · CA		Feb 23, 2009
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Bono Mack, Mary [R-CA-45]	R · CA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Brown, Corrine [D-FL-3]	D · FL		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Carnahan, Russ [D-MO-3]	D · MO		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Carney, Christopher P. [D-PA-10]	D · PA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	D · TN		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Harman, Jane [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [D-SD-At Large]	D · SD		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Hill, Baron P. [D-IN-9]	D · IN		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Hinchey, Maurice D. [D-NY-22]	D · NY		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Hinojosa, Ruben [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Inslee, Jay [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Pomeroy, Earl [D-ND-At Large]	D · ND		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Sestak, Joe [D-PA-7]	D · PA		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Stupak, Bart [D-MI-1]	D · MI		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Sutton, Betty [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Mar 3, 2009
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-28]	D · NY		Mar 4, 2009
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Mar 9, 2009

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Discharged from	Mar 4, 2009
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 31, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 408	Identical bill	Feb 10, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2084)

### Summary (as of Mar 30, 2009)

**(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on March 23, 2009. The summary of that version is repeated here.)**

Wakefield Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to extend by one year the length of time for which a grant may be awarded under the emergency medical services for children grant program, which allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make grants to states or schools of medicine to support projects to expand and improve emergency medical services for children who need treatment for trauma or critical care. Reauthorizes appropriations for such grant program for FY2010-FY2014.

Sets forth as the purpose of the program the reduction of child and youth morbidity and mortality by supporting improvements in the quality of all emergency medical care children receive.

Requires the Secretary to support emergency medical services for children by supporting projects that: (1) develop and present scientific evidence; (2) promote existing innovative technologies appropriate for the care of children; and (3) provide information on health outcomes and effectiveness and cost-effectiveness.

Directs that such program: (1) strive to enhance the pediatric capability of emergency medical service systems; and (2) be coordinated with all research, evaluations, and awards undertaken by the federal government related to emergency medical services for children.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 31, 2009:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Mr. Pallone moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H4084-4086)
- **Mar 30, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 479.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H4102)
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 390 - 6 (Roll no. 165).(text: CR H4084-4085)
- **Mar 30, 2009:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 390 - 6 (Roll no. 165). (text: CR H4084-4085)
- **Mar 30, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Mar 23, 2009:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 111-43.
- **Mar 23, 2009:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 13.
- **Mar 4, 2009:** Subcommittee on Health Discharged.
- **Mar 4, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 4, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jan 14, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 13, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 13, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E73)
- **Jan 13, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.