

## HR 5243

To amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to clarify that the Act does not affect standards or procedures in medical malpractice actions.

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 6, 2010

**Current Status:** Referred to House Judiciary

**Latest Action:** Referred to House Judiciary (May 6, 2010)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Jun 15, 2010
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 6, 2010
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	May 6, 2010

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of May 6, 2010)

Amends the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) to prohibit the development, recognition, or implementation of any guideline or other standard under any provision of PPACA from being construed to establish the standard of care or duty of care owed by health care providers to their patients in any medical malpractice action or claim.

Declares that nothing in PPACA shall be construed to modify or impair state law governing legal standards or procedures used in medical malpractice cases, including the authority of a state to make or implement such law.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 6, 2010:** Introduced in House
- **May 6, 2010:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **May 6, 2010:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.
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