

## S 547

### Drug Rebate Equalization Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Mar 9, 2009

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2911)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2911) (Mar 9, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/547>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NM • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 9, 2009
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Mar 25, 2009
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jun 1, 2009
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Jun 9, 2009
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Jun 15, 2009
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jul 9, 2009
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 15, 2009

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 9, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 1808	Related bill	<b>Oct 20, 2009:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
111 HR 904	Related bill	<b>Feb 9, 2009:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Summary (as of Mar 9, 2009)

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Drug Rebate Equalization Act of 2009 - Amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to reduce the costs of prescription drugs for enrollees of Medicaid managed care organizations by extending to such organizations the discounts offered under fee-for-service Medicaid plans.

Requires the state contract with a Medicaid managed care organization to require that payment for covered outpatient drugs dispensed to Medicaid-eligible individuals enrolled with the organization be subject to the same rebate as the state is subject to.

Requires also that capitation rates paid to the organization be: (1) based on actual cost experience related to rebates; and (2) subject to the federal regulations requiring actuarially sound rates.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 9, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 9, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2911-2912)
- **Mar 9, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2911)

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