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Generics First Act of 2009

Congress: 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Jan 6, 2009

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S74)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S74) (Jan 6, 2009)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/75>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 6, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 6, 2009)

Generics First Act of 2009 - Amends part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to exclude from coverage under the Medicare part D prescription drug program all nongeneric (brand name) drugs unless no generic drug has been approved, and the brand name drug is determined to be medically necessary.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S74)
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S74)