

## HR 1324

To eliminate sweetheart deals under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 4, 2011)

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Chaffetz, Jason [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Apr 1, 2011
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Apr 1, 2011
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-18]	R · OH		Apr 1, 2011
Rep. Huelskamp, Tim [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Apr 1, 2011
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Apr 1, 2011
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Apr 1, 2011
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		May 23, 2011
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Jun 16, 2011
Rep. Ross, Dennis A. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jun 22, 2011

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2011
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 1, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Repeals provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 related to: (1) the disproportionate share hospital (DSH) allotment for Tennessee and Hawaii; (2) an adjustment to the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for qualifying disaster-recovery states; (3) the establishment of a floor on the area wage index for a frontier state for purposes of a geographic adjustment to Medicare payments to hospitals for inpatient services; (4) the eligibility for Medicare coverage of certain individuals exposed to environmental health hazards; and (5) the appropriation of funds for debt service on, or direct construction or renovation of, a health care facility that provides research, inpatient, tertiary care, or outpatient clinical service.

Amends PPACA to eliminate revisions to the formula for determining the wage index applicable to Section 508 hospitals. (Section 508 of the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003 allows the temporary reclassification of a hospital with a low Medicare area wage index to a nearby location with a higher index so that the hospital will receive the higher Medicare reimbursement rate.)

Makes this Act effective as if it were included in PPACA or, if applicable, the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Apr 4, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 1, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 1, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.