

## S 248

Empowering States to Innovate Act

**Congress:** 112 (2011–2013, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Feb 1, 2011

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Finance. (Feb 7, 2011)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/112th-congress/senate-bill/248>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]

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

### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Scott P. [R-MA]	R · MA		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Feb 1, 2011
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Feb 28, 2011
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Mar 1, 2011
Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]	D · WV		Mar 2, 2011
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Mar 29, 2011
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Apr 5, 2011
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		May 23, 2011
Sen. Webb, Jim [D-VA]	D · VA		Jun 28, 2011

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 8, 2011
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Feb 8, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 844	Identical bill	<b>Mar 8, 2011:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Empowering States to Innovate Act - Amends the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to: (1) allow states to apply for waivers of certain health insurance coverage requirements in such Act (including requirements for the establishment of qualified health plans and health insurance exchanges) for plan years beginning on or after January 1, 2014 (currently, January 1, 2017), and (2) require the waiver application process to begin not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Feb 7, 2011:** Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Feb 7, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Finance.
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S417)
- **Feb 1, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S417)