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Hospice Evaluation and Legitimate Payment Act

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Sponsor

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

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Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Apr 4, 2011
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Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 22, 2011
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 19, 2011
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Aug 1, 2011
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Aug 2, 2011
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Sep 12, 2011
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Mar 26, 2012
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Apr 26, 2012
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jun 7, 2012
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Jun 12, 2012
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jul 18, 2012
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 11, 2012
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Sep 20, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 4, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 3506	Identical bill	Nov 29, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Apr 4, 2011)

Hospice Evaluation and Legitimate Payment Act - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act with respect to the face-to-face encounter framework in hospice care. Allows a clinical nurse specialist, physician assistant, or other health professional (in addition to a hospice physician or a nurse practitioner, as under current law) to conduct the face-to-face encounter with an individual to determine continued eligibility for hospice care before the first 60-day (currently, 180-day) recertification period and each subsequent recertification period.

Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish a Medicare Hospice Payment Reform demonstration program to test any revisions to the methodology for determining payment rates for routine home care and other hospice care services.

Sets at every three years the frequency of surveys of certified hospice program entities.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 4, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 4, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2089)
- **Apr 4, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2089-2090)