

## S 1053

### Hospice Evaluation and Legitimate Payment Act of 2013

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 23, 2013

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3852)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3852) (May 23, 2013)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/senate-bill/1053>

### Sponsor

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

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

### Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		May 23, 2013
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 10, 2013
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 30, 2013
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Jul 30, 2013
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Sep 9, 2013
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Oct 29, 2013
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Nov 6, 2013
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Nov 19, 2013
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 24, 2014
Sen. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL]	R · IL		Mar 24, 2014

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 23, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 2302	Identical bill	<b>Jun 19, 2013:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Hospice Evaluation and Legitimate Payment Act of 2013 - 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 the individual to determine continued eligibility for hospice care before the first 60-day (currently 180-day) recertification period and each subsequent recertification.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish a Medicare Hospital 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 programs.

### **Actions Timeline**

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