

HR 1971

To direct the Secretary of Defense to provide certain TRICARE beneficiaries with the opportunity to retain access to TRICARE Prime.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 20, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 1078	Identical bill	May 23, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Summary (as of May 14, 2013)

Amends the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2013 to direct the Secretary of Defense (DOD) to ensure that each beneficiary other than an active-duty beneficiary who is enrolled in TRICARE Prime (a DOD managed health care program), as of September 30, 2013, may make a one-time election to continue such enrollment, notwithstanding that an existing TRICARE contract does not allow for such enrollment based on the location in which the beneficiary resides. Allows the beneficiary to continue in such enrollment while residing in the same ZIP Code in which the beneficiary resided at the time of election.

Allows such a beneficiary to elect, at any time, to instead enroll in TRICARE Standard.

Actions Timeline

- Jun 20, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
- May 14, 2013: Introduced in House
- May 14, 2013: Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.