

## HR 2960

Medicare Prescription Drug Integrity Act of 2013

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations. (Sep 13, 2013)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 2, 2013
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Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 1, 2013

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Medicare Prescription Drug Integrity Act of 2013 - Amends part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to require a prescription drug plan (PDP) sponsor to have in place procedures designed to prevent fraud and abuse in PDPs.

Authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), with respect to establishing special enrollment periods for full-benefit dual eligible individuals, to set coverage limits for individuals who have obtained coverage for a covered Medicare part D drug at a frequency or amount not medically necessary.

Amends SSA title IX to allow the Secretary to exclude from participation in any federal health care program any individual or entity that has engaged in the inappropriate prescribing or dispensing of a covered Medicare part D drug.

Amends SSA title XVIII part D to allow a PDP or a MedicareAdvantage-PD (MA-PD) plan to exclude from qualified prescription drug coverage, and deny payment for, any covered part D drug: (1) prescribed or dispensed inappropriately to an individual under a PDP or a MA-PD plan that could not have been prescribed or dispensed to the individual on the date of such prescribing or dispensing; or (2) any drug at a frequency or amount that represents a practice or pattern of abusive prescribing or dispensing, or presents a risk to enrollee health or safety.

Amends the Controlled Substances Act to direct the Attorney General to: (1) compile a list of the unique health identifiers of prescribers and dispensers that are members of a group practice registered and authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances in schedules II and III, and (2) make the list available to all PDP sponsors.

Amends SSA title XVIII with respect to the use of recovery audit contractors under the Medicare Integrity Program to identify underpayments and overpayments and recoup the latter. Authorizes the Secretary to retain an additional portion of up to 25% of the amounts recovered for purposes of carrying out this Act.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Sep 13, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Aug 2, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Aug 1, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 1, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and the Judiciary, 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.