

## HR 5537

To require the Comptroller General to conduct a study of the interoperability of computer systems used by hospitals to store and access electronic health records, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Sep 19, 2014)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** WV • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 19, 2014

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Sep 18, 2014)

Requires the Comptroller General (GAO) to study and report on the interoperability of computer systems used by hospitals to store and access electronic health records.

Requires the study to explore the ability of hospital computer systems to allow more than one hospital to access and update the electronic health records of the same patient, including: (1) the identity of hospitals that use computer systems with this ability, (2) reasons hospitals do not have computer systems with this ability, and (3) whether this ability allows hospitals to more effectively coordinate patient care.

### Actions Timeline

- **Sep 19, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

- **Sep 18, 2014:** Introduced in House

- **Sep 18, 2014:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.