

## S 1347

Electronic Health Fairness Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 14, 2015

**Current Status:** Held at the desk.

**Latest Action:** Held at the desk. (Sep 8, 2015)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/1347>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		May 14, 2015
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		May 22, 2015
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 18, 2015
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		Jun 22, 2015
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Jul 7, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 30, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 887	Identical bill	<b>Mar 13, 2015:</b> Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 114-40, Part I.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the Senate on July 30, 2015. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

### **Electronic Health Fairness Act of 2015**

(Sec. 3) This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to prohibit, for a payment year after 2015, any patient encounter of an eligible professional occurring at an ambulatory surgical center from being treated as such an encounter in determining whether an eligible professional qualifies as a meaningful electronic health record (EHR) user.

Terminates this prohibition three years after the Department of Health and Human Services determines, through notice and comment rulemaking, that certified EHR technology is applicable to the ambulatory surgical center setting.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 8, 2015:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 8, 2015:** Held at the desk.
- **Aug 6, 2015:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Aug 5, 2015:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S6425; text as passed Senate: CR S6425)
- **Aug 5, 2015:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S6425; text as passed Senate: CR S6425)
- **Jul 30, 2015:** Committee on Finance. Reported by Senator Hatch with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 114-106.
- **Jul 30, 2015:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 185.
- **Jun 24, 2015:** Committee on Finance. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **May 14, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 14, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.