

## S 1602

### Puerto Rico Hospital HITECH Amendments Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** Senate

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**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jun 17, 2015)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

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

## Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Jun 17, 2015
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Jun 17, 2015
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jun 17, 2015

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 17, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 2029	Related bill	Dec 18, 2015: Became Public Law No: 114-113.
114 S 1961	Related bill	Aug 5, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 HR 2635	Related bill	Jun 5, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
114 HR 1225	Identical bill	Mar 27, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## **Puerto Rico Hospital HITECH Amendments Act of 2015**

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to apply Medicare HITECH (Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act) payments to subsection (d) hospitals in Puerto Rico to allow them to qualify for incentives for adoption and meaningful use of certified electronic health record Technology.

(Generally, a subsection [d] hospital is an acute care hospital, particularly one that receives payments under Medicare's inpatient prospective payment system when providing covered inpatient services to eligible beneficiaries.)

### **Actions Timeline**

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