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Seniors Mental Health Access Improvement Act of 2015

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jul 22, 2015)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]

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

Cosponsors (15 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 22, 2015
Sen. Ayotte, Kelly [R-NH]	R · NH		Sep 8, 2015
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 8, 2015
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Sep 9, 2015
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Sep 15, 2015
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Sep 22, 2015
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Sep 28, 2015
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Oct 29, 2015
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Oct 29, 2015
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Nov 4, 2015
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Nov 17, 2015
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Dec 1, 2015
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Dec 15, 2015
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 15, 2016
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Apr 28, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 22, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 3435	Related bill	Sep 28, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 HR 5475	Related bill	Sep 19, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
114 HR 2759	Related bill	Jun 23, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Jul 22, 2015)

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This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to: (1) cover marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under Medicare, (2) exclude such services from the skilled nursing facility prospective payment system, and (3) authorize marriage and family therapists and mental health counselors to develop discharge plans for post-hospital services.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 22, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
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