

## S 202

A bill to provide for a technical change to the Medicare long-term care hospital moratorium exception.

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S349)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Jun 3, 2015
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Jun 4, 2015

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 21, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 34	Related bill	Dec 13, 2016: Became Public Law No: 114-255.
114 HR 5273	Related bill	Jun 8, 2016: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 HR 441	Identical bill	Feb 27, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

This bill amends the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007, as amended by other specified federal law, with respect to the five-year moratorium beginning April 1, 2014, on the establishment of long-term care (LTC) hospitals and LTC satellite facilities and on the increase of LTC hospital beds in existing LTC hospitals or satellite facilities for purposes of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act.

A technical correction is made to an exception to this moratorium for certain LTC hospitals that:

- began their qualifying period for Medicare payment on or before April 1, 2014;
- have a binding written agreement as of that date with an outside, unrelated party for the actual construction, renovation, lease, or demolition for an LTC hospital, and have expended, before that date, at least 10% of the project's estimated cost (or, if less, \$ 2.5 million); or
- have obtained on or before that date an approved certificate of need in a state where one is required.

This bill applies the exception to any similar moratorium.

#### **Actions Timeline**

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