

## HR 2025

Social Security and Medicare Parity Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** House

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Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Sep 30, 2015

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	May 12, 2015
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## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 1404	Related bill	Mar 27, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
114 S 753	Related bill	Mar 17, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Social Security and Medicare Parity Act of 2015**

Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act with respect to the determination of a valid marriage to account for marriages in jurisdictions other than a state.

Authorizes the courts of any state to find that an OASDI benefit applicant and an insured individual were validly married in a jurisdiction other than a state at the time the applicant files a benefit application or, if the insured individual is dead, at the time the individual died.

Waives the nine-month marriage requirement to make eligible for widow or widower benefits certain widows or widowers whose marriage to a deceased individual would not have been treated as a marriage for federal law purposes before June 26, 2013. Waives the same requirement for anyone who became a stepchild of the deceased individual as a result of such a marriage.

Waives the one-year marriage requirement to make eligible for husband's or wife's OASDI benefits certain husbands and wives whose marriage to an individual would not have been treated as a marriage for federal law purposes before June 26, 2013. Waives the same requirement for anyone who became a stepchild of the individual as a result of such a marriage.

Directs the Commissioner of Social Security to conduct a comprehensive and effective three-year outreach campaign to encourage benefit applications by individuals newly eligible for OASDI benefits as a result of changes in law relating to same-sex marriage and occurring on or after June 26, 2013.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 12, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 12, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.
- **Apr 23, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 23, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.