

## HR 2156

Medicare Audit Improvement Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Jun 23, 2015
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Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		May 11, 2016
Rep. Byrne, Bradley [R-AL-1]	R · AL		May 11, 2016

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Rep. Hurd, Will [R-TX-23]	R · TX		Jul 6, 2016
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-42]	R · CA		Jul 12, 2016
Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Sep 8, 2016

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 1, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	May 18, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 3225	Related bill	Aug 5, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Summary (as of Apr 30, 2015)

### Medicare Audit Improvement Act of 2015

This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSAct) with respect to the practices of recovery audit contractors (RACs) under the Medicare program in identifying underpayments and overpayments and recouping overpayments.

Incentive payments to a RAC for recovery activities are prohibited for FY2015 and subsequent fiscal years.

Payments for recovery activities shall be reduced, according to a sliding scale established by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, to any RAC with a complex audit denial rate at the end of a fiscal year, determined pursuant to a specified formula, that is .1% or greater.

The one-year timely filing limit for certain rebilled SSAct title XVIII part B (Supplementary Medical Insurance) claims is eliminated, extending the deadline for the rebill to 180 days after final denial of the claim.

A determination of whether inpatient hospital services or inpatient critical access hospital services furnished to an individual are reasonable and necessary shall now be based solely on information available to the admitting physician at the time of the inpatient admission of the individual for such services, as documented in the medical record.

## Actions Timeline

- **May 18, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 1, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 30, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 30, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.