

S 2256

Co-Prescribing Saves Lives Act of 2016

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Nov 5, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Apr 27, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 524	Related bill	Jul 22, 2016: Became Public Law No: 114-198.
114 HR 4841	Related bill	Apr 5, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

Summary (as of Apr 27, 2016)

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(Sec. 2) This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide information to certain prescribers on best practices for prescribing naloxone for patients receiving chronic opioid therapy or being treated for opioid use disorders. (Naloxone is a prescription drug used to rapidly reverse an overdose of opioids, which are drugs with effects similar to opium, such as heroin and certain pain medications.) The information must be provided to prescribers in federally qualified health centers and the health care facilities of the Indian Health Service.

The Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs must provide such information to prescribers in their medical facilities.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 27, 2016:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Alexander with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Apr 27, 2016:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 442.
- **Mar 16, 2016:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Nov 5, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 5, 2015:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S7819-7820)