

## HR 2580

### LTCH Technical Correction Act of 2015

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** LA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 3, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
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	Related bill	Feb 27, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## **LTCH Technical Correction Act of 2015**

(Sec. 2) 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 (SSAct).

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.

(Sec. 3) Amends SSAct title XVIII to direct the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), under the prospective payment system for inpatient hospital services furnished by an LTC hospital for fiscal years beginning on or after October 1, 2016, to reduce the standard federal payment rate as if the estimated aggregate amount of high cost outlier payments for standard federal payment rate discharges for each fiscal year would be equal to 8% of estimated aggregate payments for standard federal payment rate discharges for that fiscal year.

Directs HHS to set the fixed loss amount for high cost outlier payments so that the estimated aggregate amount of high cost outlier payments made for standard federal payment rate discharges for fiscal years beginning on or after October 1, 2016, shall be equal to 99.0625% of 8% of estimated aggregate payments for standard federal payment rate discharges for each such fiscal year.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 16, 2015:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 114-156.
- **Jun 16, 2015:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 113.
- **Jun 3, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 2, 2015:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 2, 2015:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 29, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **May 29, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.