

## HR 2624

### Part D Beneficiary Appeals Fairness Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jun 5, 2015)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (12 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Jun 3, 2015
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jul 27, 2015
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Jul 28, 2015
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Jul 28, 2015
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jul 29, 2015
Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jul 29, 2015
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Jul 29, 2015
Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Jul 29, 2015
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Sep 30, 2015
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Dec 11, 2015
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Jul 5, 2016
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jul 14, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 5, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 5, 2015

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 1488	Related bill	Jun 3, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Part D Beneficiary Appeals Fairness Act**

Amends part D (Voluntary Prescription Drug Benefit Program) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act, with respect to a prescription drug plan (PDP) that provides for any tiered cost-sharing within a formulary (including a structure that provides for different co-payment or coinsurance amounts for drugs in different tiers included within the formulary), to authorize a Medicare part D eligible individual enrolled in the plan to request an exception to the tiered cost-sharing structure.

States that in no case may the Secretary of Health and Human Services allow a PDP sponsor to make any formulary tier of the tiered cost-sharing structure (including a formulary tier used for very high cost or unique items) ineligible for lower-cost sharing through an exception.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 5, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 3, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 3, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.