

HR 270

Flexibility in Health IT Reporting (Flex-IT) Act of 2015

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Mar 30, 2015)

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| Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9] | D · AZ | | Sep 17, 2015 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | Jan 16, 2015 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred to | Mar 30, 2015 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|--------------|--|
| 114 HR 5001 | Related bill | Apr 22, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |
| 114 S 2822 | Related bill | Apr 20, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

Summary (as of Jan 12, 2015)

Flexibility in Health IT Reporting (Flex-IT) Act of 2015

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in specifying the electronic health record (EHR) reporting period under EHR electronic health record technology incentive payment programs under titles XVIII (Medicare) and XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act, to continue through 2015 (in the case of eligible professionals) and FY2015 (in the case of eligible hospitals and critical access hospitals) to permit the use of a three-month quarter EHR reporting period to demonstrate meaningful use without regard to the payment year or the stage of meaningful use criteria involved.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 30, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 16, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 12, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 12, 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.