

S 3435

Craig Thomas Rural Hospital and Provider Equity Act of 2016

Congress: 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sep 28, 2016)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]

Party: Republican • State: KS • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Sep 28, 2016
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 28, 2016
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Sep 28, 2016
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Dec 5, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 28, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
<a href="#">114 HR 5613</a>	Related bill	<b>Sep 22, 2016:</b> Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
<a href="#">114 HR 5799</a>	Related bill	<b>Jul 29, 2016:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
<a href="#">114 S 3129</a>	Related bill	<b>Jul 6, 2016:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
<a href="#">114 S 1830</a>	Related bill	<b>Jul 22, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
<a href="#">114 HR 2759</a>	Related bill	<b>Jun 23, 2015:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
<a href="#">114 HR 2138</a>	Related bill	<b>May 14, 2015:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
<a href="#">114 HR 169</a>	Related bill	<b>Mar 30, 2015:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
<a href="#">114 HR 1342</a>	Related bill	<b>Mar 18, 2015:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
<a href="#">114 S 578</a>	Related bill	<b>Feb 26, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S1163-1164)

## Summary (as of Sep 28, 2016)

### Craig Thomas Rural Hospital and Provider Equity Act of 2016

This bill amends the Public Health Service Act and title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to:

- establish, extend, reinstate, or modify various Medicare payment adjustments for rural hospitals;
- establish a capital infrastructure revolving loan program for rural medical facilities;
- allow authorized physician assistants to order hospice care under Medicare;
- establish Medicare coverage for specified mental health counselor services and marriage and family therapist services;
- create a grant program for state offices of rural health; and
- modify other provisions related to rural medical facilities.

## Actions Timeline

- **Sep 28, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
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