# HR 4090

Health Care Choices for Seniors Act

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**Chamber:** House
**Policy Area:** Health
**Introduced:** Nov 19, 2015
**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Nov 20, 2015)
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## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]
**Party:** Republican • **State:** TN • **Chamber:** Senate

## Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

## Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|---|---|---|---|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred to | Nov 20, 2015 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred to | Nov 19, 2015 |

## Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Nov 19, 2015)

**Health Care Choices for Seniors Act**

This bill amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act (SSAct) to require the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish the Medicare Alternative Voucher (MAV) Program, under which a voucher may be used as a contribution into a health savings account and for the payment of enrollment premiums under a high-deductible health plan. HHS must establish a procedure under which an individual otherwise entitled to benefits under part A (Hospital Insurance) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the SSAct may waive such entitlement and be automatically enrolled in the MAV Program.

In addition, the bill amends the Internal Revenue Code to increase the amount of the deduction from gross income for health savings accounts by the amount of the MAV that is contributed to an individual's health savings account.

The bill also suspends Medicare late enrollment penalties for an individual between ages 65 and 70.

## Actions Timeline

- **Nov 20, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Nov 19, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 19, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.
- **Nov 19, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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