

## HR 42

### Infant Protection and Baby Switching Prevention Act of 2015

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jan 6, 2015

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 27, 2015)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/42>

## Sponsor

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

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 9, 2015
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 12, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 27, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Summary

(as of Jan 6, 2015)

### Infant Protection and Baby Switching Prevention Act of 2015

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to require certain hospitals reimbursed under Medicare, and which provide neonatal and infant care, to have in effect security procedures to reduce the likelihood of infant patient abduction and baby switching, including procedures for identifying all infant patients in the hospital in a manner that ensures that it will be evident if infants are missing. Establishes civil penalties for failure to have such security procedures in effect.

Amends the federal criminal code to prohibit and establish criminal penalties for baby switching in hospitals.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 12, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
- **Jan 9, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 6, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and 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.