HR 4805

Ensuring Patient Access to Healthcare Records Act of 2016

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 18, 2016
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 17, 2016)

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This bill amends the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act to allow a health care clearinghouse to use and disclose protected health information under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The uses and disclosures include for: (1) research purposes, (2) public health purposes, and (3) releasing protected health information to individuals that request their information.

Additionally, a clearinghouse may use and disclose protected health information to prepare and distribute reports that are designed to improve healthcare, subject to certain privacy protections.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 29, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 18, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 17, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 17, 2016:** 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.