

HR 556

Prevent Interruptions in Physical Therapy Act of 2015

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Pompeo, Mike [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Jan 27, 2015
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Jan 27, 2015
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Feb 3, 2015
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Feb 10, 2015
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Rep. Paulsen, Erik [R-MN-3]	R · MN		Feb 11, 2015
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Feb 11, 2015
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Rep. Farenthold, Blake [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Feb 26, 2015
Rep. Amodei, Mark E. [R-NV-2]	R · NV		Mar 13, 2015
Rep. Black, Diane [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Mar 13, 2015
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		Mar 13, 2015
Rep. Messer, Luke [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Mar 13, 2015
Rep. Abraham, Ralph Lee [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Mar 24, 2015
Rep. Hinojosa, Ruben [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Mar 24, 2015
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Apr 13, 2015
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Apr 15, 2015
Rep. Brooks, Susan W. [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Apr 28, 2015
Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		Apr 28, 2015
Rep. Diaz-Balart, Mario [R-FL-25]	R · FL		May 14, 2015
Rep. LoBiondo, Frank A. [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		May 15, 2015
Rep. Dent, Charles W. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		May 19, 2015
Rep. Moolenaar, John R. [R-MI-4]	R · MI		May 19, 2015
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		May 19, 2015
Rep. Hanna, Richard L. [R-NY-22]	R · NY		Jun 2, 2015
Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Jun 2, 2015
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Jun 2, 2015
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Jun 3, 2015
Rep. Lance, Leonard [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Jun 3, 2015
Rep. Ashford, Brad [D-NE-2]	D · NE		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Collins, Chris [R-NY-27]	R · NY		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Fleming, John [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Hensarling, Jeb [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Jun 9, 2015

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Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-13]	D · NY		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Jun 9, 2015
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		Jun 12, 2015
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jun 12, 2015
Rep. Shuster, Bill [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Jun 12, 2015
Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Jun 12, 2015
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Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Jun 18, 2015
Rep. Hill, J. French [R-AR-2]	R · AR		Jun 18, 2015
Rep. Takai, Mark [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Jun 18, 2015
Rep. Tipton, Scott R. [R-CO-3]	R · CO		Jun 18, 2015
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Jun 25, 2015
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Jun 25, 2015
Rep. Walters, Mimi [R-CA-45]	R · CA		Jun 25, 2015
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jul 8, 2015
Rep. Tsongas, Niki [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Jul 8, 2015
Rep. McSally, Martha [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		Jul 14, 2015
Rep. Nolan, Richard M. [D-MN-8]	D · MN		Jul 14, 2015
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jul 21, 2015
Rep. Miller, Candice S. [R-MI-10]	R · MI		Jul 21, 2015
Rep. Zinke, Ryan K. [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Jul 21, 2015
Rep. Rothfus, Keith J. [R-PA-12]	R · PA		Jul 28, 2015
Rep. Walz, Timothy J. [D-MN-1]	D · MN		Jul 28, 2015
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Jul 29, 2015
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Sep 8, 2015
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2015
Rep. Griffith, H. Morgan [R-VA-9]	R · VA		Sep 8, 2015
Rep. Herrera Beutler, Jaime [R-WA-3]	R · WA		Sep 8, 2015
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Sep 8, 2015
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2015
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Sep 10, 2015
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Sep 10, 2015
Rep. Graham, Gwen [D-FL-2]	D · FL		Sep 22, 2015
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Sep 22, 2015
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Sep 25, 2015
Rep. Bost, Mike [R-IL-12]	R · IL		Oct 21, 2015
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Nov 3, 2015
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Nov 18, 2015
Rep. Barletta, Lou [R-PA-11]	R · PA		Nov 18, 2015
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Dec 15, 2015

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Rep. Loebsack, David [D-IA-2]	D · IA		Dec 18, 2015
Rep. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Feb 2, 2016
Rep. Ellmers, Renee L. [R-NC-2]	R · NC		Mar 15, 2016
Rep. Johnson, Sam [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Apr 11, 2016
Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Apr 11, 2016
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Apr 14, 2016
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Apr 14, 2016
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Apr 14, 2016
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Apr 14, 2016
Rep. Bridenstine, Jim [R-OK-1]	R · OK		Apr 18, 2016
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Apr 20, 2016
Rep. Smith, Adrian [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Apr 21, 2016
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		May 23, 2016
Rep. Newhouse, Dan [R-WA-4]	R · WA		Jul 5, 2016
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Michael G. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Jul 6, 2016
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Jul 13, 2016
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Jul 21, 2016
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Trott, David A. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Sep 28, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 30, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 27, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 313	Identical bill	Jul 30, 2015: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 177.

Prevent Interruptions in Physical Therapy Act of 2015

Amends part B (Supplementary Medical Insurance) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to require physical therapists furnishing outpatient physical therapy services to use specified locum tenens arrangements for payment purposes in the same manner as such arrangements are used to apply to physicians furnishing substitute physicians services for other physicians.

(Locum tenens [place holder], or substitute, physicians usually assume professional practices in the absence of a regular physician for reasons such as illness, pregnancy, vacation, or continuing medical education.)

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 30, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 27, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 27, 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.