

HR 670

Special Needs Trust Fairness and Medicaid Improvement Act

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Sponsor

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

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Rep. Harper, Gregg [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Feb 5, 2015
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Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Feb 10, 2015
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Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-3]	R · PA		Feb 13, 2015
Rep. Marino, Tom [R-PA-10]	R · PA		Feb 13, 2015
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Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Mar 18, 2015
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Mar 25, 2015
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Apr 22, 2015
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Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		May 15, 2015
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Oct 6, 2015
Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	R · PA		Oct 6, 2015
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Oct 9, 2015
Rep. Israel, Steve [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Nov 4, 2015
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Nov 19, 2015
Rep. Lance, Leonard [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Feb 29, 2016
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Feb 29, 2016
Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Mar 17, 2016
Rep. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Apr 14, 2016
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Apr 14, 2016
Rep. Frelinghuysen, Rodney P. [R-NJ-11]	R · NJ		May 12, 2016
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Jun 9, 2016
Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Jun 9, 2016
Rep. Amodei, Mark E. [R-NV-2]	R · NV		Jun 10, 2016
Rep. Benishek, Dan [R-MI-1]	R · MI		Jun 10, 2016
Rep. Comstock, Barbara [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Jun 10, 2016
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Jun 10, 2016
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Michael G. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Jun 10, 2016
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Jun 10, 2016
Rep. Gibson, Christopher P. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Jun 10, 2016
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Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Jun 10, 2016
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Jun 13, 2016
Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Jun 21, 2016
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Jul 6, 2016
Rep. Heck, Joseph J. [R-NV-3]	R · NV		Jul 6, 2016
Rep. Kline, John [R-MN-2]	R · MN		Jul 6, 2016

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Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Jul 6, 2016
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jul 13, 2016
Rep. Hardy, Cresent [R-NV-4]	R · NV		Jul 14, 2016
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Sep 6, 2016
Rep. Fleischmann, Charles J. "Chuck" [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Sep 6, 2016
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Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Sep 6, 2016
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Sep 6, 2016
Rep. Donovan, Daniel M., Jr. [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Sep 7, 2016
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Sep 7, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Sep 18, 2015
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 21, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 4273	Related bill	Dec 18, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
114 S 2409	Related bill	Dec 16, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
114 S 349	Identical bill	Sep 11, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on September 9, 2016. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act with respect to the treatment of revocable trusts for the benefit of an individual for purposes of meeting income requirements for Medicaid coverage.

The bill extends the supplemental needs trust exemption from treatment of a trust as resources available to the individual to supplemental needs trusts for Medicaid beneficiaries established by those beneficiaries.

(Sec. 3) Medicaid coverage of tobacco cessation services shall continue to be provided for mothers of newborns through the first year after the child's birth.

The Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services must report to the Congress on the use of the tobacco cessation service benefit under the Medicaid program.

(Sec. 4) The bill eliminates federal financial participation regarding expenditures under Medicaid for drugs used for cosmetic purposes or hair growth, except where such drugs are medically necessary.

(Sec. 5) The bill makes additional funding available to the Medicaid Improvement Fund for FY2021 and FY2022.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 21, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- **Sep 20, 2016:** Mr. Guthrie moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 20, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5648-5650)
- **Sep 20, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 670.
- **Sep 20, 2016:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Sep 20, 2016:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5693-5694)
- **Sep 20, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 383 - 22 (Roll no. 521).(text: CR H5648-5649)
- **Sep 20, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 383 - 22 (Roll no. 521). (text: CR H5648-5649)
- **Sep 20, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 9, 2016:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 114-734.
- **Sep 9, 2016:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 570.
- **Jul 13, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 13, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jul 12, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 18, 2015:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 6, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 3, 2015:** Introduced in House
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