

S 1732

Improving Access to Behavioral Health Information Technology Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (May 11, 2018)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]

Party: Democratic • **State:** RI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Aug 3, 2017
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Oct 19, 2017
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Nov 28, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 11, 2018
Finance Committee	Senate	Discharged From	May 7, 2018
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	May 11, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 6	Related bill	Oct 24, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-271.
115 HR 3331	Related bill	Jun 14, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of May 7, 2018)

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(Sec. 2) This bill specifies that the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation may test models to provide incentive payments to behavioral health providers for: (1) adopting electronic health records technology, and (2) using that technology to improve the quality and coordination of care.

Actions Timeline

- **May 11, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 9, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **May 9, 2018:** Received in the House.
- **May 9, 2018:** 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.
- **May 7, 2018:** Senate Committee on Finance discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **May 7, 2018:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S2528)
- **May 7, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S2528)
- **May 7, 2018:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S2528)
- **Aug 3, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 3, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.