

## S 1739

### BASIC Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

**Introduced:** Aug 3, 2017

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Aug 3, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1739>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

| Committee         | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
| Finance Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Aug 3, 2017 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

### Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship   | Last Action   |
|-------------|----------------|---|
| 115 HR 5302 | Identical bill | <b>Mar 29, 2018:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security. |

### Summary (as of Aug 3, 2017)

#### Benefit Adjustment of Social Security Income Compensation Act or the BASIC Act

This bill requires the Social Security Administration (SSA) to continue monthly insurance benefit payments to a beneficiary, on a prorated basis, through the month of the beneficiary's death. The bill also revises the SSA's methodology for calculating certain lump-sum payments to survivors.

### Actions Timeline

- **Aug 3, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
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