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BENES Act of 2017

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Oct 3, 2017
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jan 30, 2018
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 18, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 3, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 2575	Identical bill	Jun 1, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Beneficiary Enrollment Notification and Eligibility Simplification Act of 2017 or the BENES Act of 2017

This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code to:

- establish requirements for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to notify individuals of their potential eligibility for Medicare,
- require the Internal Revenue Service to disclose to CMS specified taxpayer information for the purpose of establishing individuals' potential Medicare eligibility, and
- restructure Medicare enrollment periods and coverage periods.

Actions Timeline

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