

HR 1939

Ensuring Seniors Access to Local Pharmacies Act of 2017

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Sponsor

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Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Apr 24, 2017
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Rep. Rogers, Mike D. [R-AL-3]	R · AL		May 24, 2017
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jun 2, 2017
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Jun 21, 2017
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Jul 12, 2017
Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Jul 12, 2017
Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Sep 5, 2017
Rep. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Sep 25, 2017
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Dec 11, 2017
Rep. Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Dec 12, 2017
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Jan 9, 2018
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Feb 7, 2018
Rep. Herrera Beutler, Jaime [R-WA-3]	R · WA		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Byrne, Bradley [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Apr 23, 2018
Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Apr 25, 2018
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		May 25, 2018
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Abraham, Ralph Lee [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Jun 22, 2018
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Nov 2, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 7, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 17, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1044	Related bill	May 4, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Apr 5, 2017)

Ensuring Seniors Access to Local Pharmacies Act of 2017

This bill modifies requirements regarding access to preferred pharmacies (i.e., pharmacies that provide reduced enrollee cost sharing for prescription drugs) under a Medicare prescription drug plan (PDP).

Specifically, if a Medicare PDP has, in its pharmacy network, one or more preferred pharmacies located in a health shortage or medically underserved area, then the PDP sponsor must allow any pharmacy in the health shortage or medically underserved area to join the preferred pharmacy network under comparable terms and conditions.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 17, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 7, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 5, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 5, 2017:** 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.