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Restoring the Patient's Voice Act of 2017

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Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		May 25, 2017
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jun 13, 2017
Rep. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Jun 13, 2017
Rep. Harper, Gregg [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Jun 20, 2017
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Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Jun 20, 2017
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Jun 22, 2017
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Jun 22, 2017
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Jul 14, 2017
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jul 14, 2017
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Jul 18, 2017
Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]	R · TN		Sep 6, 2017
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Sep 6, 2017
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Rep. Visclosky, Peter J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Sep 6, 2017
Rep. Bucshon, Larry [R-IN-8]	R · IN		Sep 13, 2017
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		Sep 13, 2017
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Sep 13, 2017
Rep. Dunn, Neal P. [R-FL-2]	R · FL		Sep 25, 2017
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Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Oct 25, 2017
Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Oct 25, 2017
Rep. Slaughter, Louise McIntosh [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Oct 25, 2017
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Nov 30, 2017
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Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Dec 5, 2017
Rep. LaHood, Darin [R-IL-18]	R · IL		Dec 5, 2017
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Dec 12, 2017
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Dec 12, 2017
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Dec 21, 2017
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Feb 8, 2018
Rep. Roskam, Peter J. [R-IL-6]	R · IL		Mar 5, 2018
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Mar 8, 2018
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Mar 8, 2018
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Mar 8, 2018

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Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Mar 13, 2018
Rep. Faso, John J. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Mar 14, 2018
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Mar 14, 2018
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Apr 17, 2018
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Apr 25, 2018
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Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Apr 25, 2018
Rep. Garrett, Thomas A., Jr. [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Apr 27, 2018
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-10]	R · OH		Apr 27, 2018
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		May 8, 2018
Rep. Evans, Dwight [D-PA-2]	D · PA		May 15, 2018
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-27]	R · FL		May 15, 2018
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		May 15, 2018
Rep. Yoder, Kevin [R-KS-3]	R · KS		May 15, 2018
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		May 25, 2018
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		May 25, 2018
Rep. Esty, Elizabeth H. [D-CT-5]	D · CT		May 25, 2018
Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]	R · WI		May 25, 2018
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Rep. Paulsen, Erik [R-MN-3]	R · MN		Jun 8, 2018
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Jun 22, 2018
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Jul 12, 2018
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jul 26, 2018
Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Jul 26, 2018
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Jul 26, 2018
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Aug 10, 2018
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Aug 10, 2018
Rep. Renacci, James B. [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Aug 10, 2018
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Aug 28, 2018
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Aug 28, 2018
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Sep 10, 2018
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Rep. Donovan, Daniel M., Jr. [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Sep 27, 2018
Rep. Hanabusa, Colleen [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Sep 27, 2018
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Sep 27, 2018
Rep. Posey, Bill [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Oct 12, 2018

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Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Oct 12, 2018
Rep. Womack, Steve [R-AR-3]	R · AR		Oct 12, 2018
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Oct 23, 2018
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Oct 23, 2018
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Oct 23, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 6, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 6, 2017)

Restoring the Patient's Voice Act of 2017

This bill amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) to require a group health plan to establish an exception to medication step-therapy protocol in specified cases. A medication step-therapy protocol establishes a specific sequence in which prescription drugs are covered by a group health plan or a health insurance issuer.

To warrant an exception to the protocol, at least one of the following circumstances must be met: (1) the treatment is contraindicated, (2) the treatment is expected to be ineffective, (3) the treatment will cause or is likely to cause an adverse reaction to the individual, (4) the treatment is expected to decrease the individual's ability either to perform daily activities or occupational responsibilities or adhere to the treatment plan, or (5) the individual is stable based on the prescription drugs already selected.

The bill requires a group health plan to implement a clear process for an individual to request an exception to the protocol. The process shall be readily available on the website of the group health plan and must list the requirements for a request and any necessary forms and contact information.

Requests shall be granted no later than three days after receipt of the request. In certain cases where the life, health, and ability of the individual are jeopardized by the protocol, the request shall be granted no later than 24 hours after receipt of the request.

Actions Timeline

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