

HR 2550

Medicare Telehealth Parity Act of 2017

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]

Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (26 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Black, Diane [R-TN-6]	R · TN		May 19, 2017
Rep. Harper, Gregg [R-MS-3]	R · MS		May 19, 2017
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		May 19, 2017
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Farenthold, Blake [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Grothman, Glenn [R-WI-6]	R · WI		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Jun 8, 2017
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Jun 22, 2017
Rep. Collins, Chris [R-NY-27]	R · NY		Jun 23, 2017
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Jun 26, 2017
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Jun 28, 2017
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Jun 29, 2017
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Jul 19, 2017
Rep. Messer, Luke [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Sep 13, 2017
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Sep 25, 2017
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Oct 19, 2017
Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Oct 19, 2017
Rep. Garamendi, John [D-CA-3]	D · CA		Oct 23, 2017
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Nov 13, 2017
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Nov 21, 2017
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-13]	D · PA		Jan 30, 2018
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Jun 14, 2018
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Aug 3, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 26, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 1, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Medicare Telehealth Parity Act of 2017

This bill provides for the incremental expansion of telehealth coverage under the Medicare program. Specifically, the bill expands the lists of:

- qualified telehealth originating and distant sites;
- qualified telehealth providers; and
- covered telehealth services.

Additionally, the bill provides for coverage of remote patient-monitoring services for chronic health conditions.

The bill also allows for a patient-specific waiver process of the required monthly face-to-face visit between an individual with end-stage renal disease and a qualified professional.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 1, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 26, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 19, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **May 19, 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.