

## HR 2575

BENES Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 19, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jun 1, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/2575>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]

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

### Cosponsors (19 total)

| Cosponsor                          | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]    | D · WA        |      | May 19, 2017 |
| Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-3]          | R · PA        |      | May 19, 2017 |
| Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]      | R · PA        |      | May 19, 2017 |
| Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]  | D · NJ        |      | May 19, 2017 |
| Rep. Barletta, Lou [R-PA-11]       | R · PA        |      | Sep 14, 2017 |
| Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]     | D · NJ        |      | Sep 14, 2017 |
| Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]   | R · FL        |      | Oct 24, 2017 |
| Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]    | R · PA        |      | Nov 16, 2017 |
| Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]      | D · NY        |      | Nov 16, 2017 |
| Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]      | D · AZ        |      | Nov 16, 2017 |
| Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]     | D · OR        |      | Dec 21, 2017 |
| Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]      | D · CA        |      | Dec 21, 2017 |
| Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]        | D · CA        |      | Dec 21, 2017 |
| Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]          | D · NY        |      | Feb 5, 2018  |
| Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]         | D · TN        |      | Feb 13, 2018 |
| Rep. MacArthur, Thomas [R-NJ-3]    | R · NJ        |      | Feb 13, 2018 |
| Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12] | D · NY        |      | Feb 13, 2018 |
| Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]        | D · MA        |      | Apr 24, 2018 |
| Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]        | D · IN        |      | May 24, 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

| Bill       | Relationship   | Last Action   |
|------------|----------------|---|
| 115 S 1909 | Identical bill | Oct 3, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

Summary (as of May 19, 2017)

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

- 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 Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.