

S 2908

A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for electronic prior authorization under Medicare part D for covered part D drugs, and for other purposes.

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: May 22, 2018

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (May 22, 2018)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/2908>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]

Party: Republican • **State:** KS • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE] | D · DE | | May 22, 2018 |
| Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA] | R · IA | | May 22, 2018 |
| Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV] | D · WV | | Aug 23, 2018 |
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME] | R · ME | | Sep 4, 2018 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Finance Committee | Senate | Referred To | May 22, 2018 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|--------------|---|
| 115 HR 6 | Related bill | Oct 24, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-271. |
| 115 S 3120 | Related bill | Jun 25, 2018: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 484. |
| 115 HR 5773 | Related bill | Jun 20, 2018: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |
| 115 HR 4841 | Related bill | Jun 12, 2018: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 581. |

Summary (as of May 22, 2018)

This bill requires electronic prescription programs to enable the secure transmittal of prior authorization requests for covered drugs under the Medicare prescription drug benefit.

Actions Timeline

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