

## S 3253

Vaccine Access Improvement Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Taxation

**Introduced:** Jul 19, 2018

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jul 19, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/3253>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jul 19, 2018
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Jul 19, 2018
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Jul 19, 2018
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Dec 10, 2018
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Dec 18, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 19, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Taxation

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 4993	Related bill	<b>Feb 8, 2018:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

### Summary (as of Jul 19, 2018)

#### Vaccine Access Improvement Act of 2018

This bill modifies the excise tax on certain vaccines to (1) automatically impose the tax on vaccines that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) adds to the Vaccine Injury Table, and (2) require HHS to notify the Department of the Treasury and Congress when new vaccines are added to the table. (The excise tax funds the National Vaccine Injury Program, which compensates people who have been injured by vaccines listed on the table.)

## Actions Timeline

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