

HR 4178

HEART Act

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Oct 31, 2017

Current Status: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H8304)

Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H8304) (Nov 1, 2017)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/4178>

Sponsor

Name: Rep. Arrington, Jodey C. [R-TX-19]

Party: Republican • **State:** TX • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Conaway, K. Michael [R-TX-11]	R · TX		Oct 31, 2017
Rep. Gohmert, Louie [R-TX-1]	R · TX		Oct 31, 2017
Rep. Thornberry, Mac [R-TX-13]	R · TX		Nov 15, 2017
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Apr 25, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 31, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1955	Related bill	Apr 17, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
115 S 872	Related bill	Apr 6, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Oct 31, 2017)

Healthcare Enhancement for Americas Rural Towns Act or the HEART Act

This bill permanently extends and otherwise revises the Medicare-Dependent Hospital program (which provides increased payments to certain smaller, rural hospitals that serve a proportionally high number of Medicare patients). The bill also extends through FY 2019 the program for increased payments under Medicare for low-volume hospitals.

Actions Timeline

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