

HR 5558

Alternatives to Opioids Prescribing Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 25, 2018)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 18, 2018
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 25, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 5531	Related bill	May 22, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.

Summary (as of Apr 18, 2018)

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This bill requires the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to carry out a demonstration project to evaluate alternatives to the use of opioids to treat Medicare enrollees in hospital emergency departments. Under the project, the CMS must provide incentive payments to participating hospitals for decreasing the use of opioids and increasing the use of opioid alternatives.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 25, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 18, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 18, 2018:** 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.