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### Improving Access to Medicare Coverage Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Mar 8, 2017

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Mar 8, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/568>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]

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

### Cosponsors (23 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Mar 8, 2017
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Mar 8, 2017
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D · FL		Mar 8, 2017
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 13, 2017
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 13, 2017
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 13, 2017
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 14, 2017
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 14, 2017
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 14, 2017
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 14, 2017
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Apr 5, 2017
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Apr 6, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Apr 24, 2017
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		May 1, 2017
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		May 15, 2017
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		May 16, 2017
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		May 18, 2017
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		May 25, 2017
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Sep 11, 2017
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Sep 26, 2017
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Nov 15, 2018
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Dec 11, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 8, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1421	Related bill	<b>Mar 16, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Summary (as of Mar 8, 2017)

### Improving Access to Medicare Coverage Act of 2017

This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to deem an individual receiving outpatient observation services in a hospital to be an inpatient for purposes of satisfying the three-day inpatient hospital-stay requirement with respect to Medicare coverage of skilled nursing facility services.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 8, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
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