

HR 5773

PASS Act of 2018

Congress: 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: May 11, 2018

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

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jun 20, 2018)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Roskam, Peter J. [R-IL-6]

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

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Knight, Stephen [R-CA-25]	R · CA		May 11, 2018
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		May 11, 2018
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		May 11, 2018
Rep. Johnson, Sam [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-3]	R · PA		Jun 14, 2018
Rep. Renacci, James B. [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Jun 14, 2018
Rep. Schweikert, David [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Jun 14, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 11, 2018
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 20, 2018
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 4, 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 HR 4841	Related bill	Jun 12, 2018: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 581.
115 HR 5675	Related bill	Jun 12, 2018: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 577.
115 HR 5684	Related bill	Jun 12, 2018: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 576.
115 HR 5715	Related bill	Jun 12, 2018: Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 115-737, Part I.
115 HR 5716	Related bill	Jun 12, 2018: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 574.
115 S 2905	Related bill	May 22, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
115 S 2908	Related bill	May 22, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Jun 19, 2018)

Preventing Addiction for Susceptible Seniors Act of 2018 or the PASS Act of 2018

(Sec. 2) This bill alters several requirements under the Medicare prescription drug benefit. Specifically, the bill requires electronic prescription programs to enable the secure transmittal of prior authorization requests for covered drugs.

(Sec. 3) The bill also requires the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to establish a secure online portal to allow: (1) data sharing among the CMS, Medicare prescription drug benefit plans, and Medicare Advantage (MA) plans; and (2) referrals by such plans of substantiated fraud, waste, or abuse in order to initiate or assist investigations by contracted entities under the Medicare Integrity Program.

(Sec. 4) The bill also establishes individuals who are identified as at-risk beneficiaries for prescription drug abuse as qualifying participants in medication therapy management programs under the Medicare prescription drug benefit.

(Sec. 5) The CMS must also: (1) identify outlier prescribers of opioids under Medicare prescription drug benefit plans and MA plans, based on specialty and geographic area; and (2) annually notify such prescribers of their status and provide them with resources on proper prescribing methods.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 20, 2018:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- **Jun 19, 2018:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 115-761, Part I.
- **Jun 19, 2018:** Mr. Roskam moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jun 19, 2018:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5258-5261)
- **Jun 19, 2018:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5773.
- **Jun 19, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5258-5259)
- **Jun 19, 2018:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5258-5259)
- **Jun 19, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 19, 2018:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 4, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 16, 2018:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 16, 2018:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **May 11, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **May 11, 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.