

## HR 5997

### Ensuring Patient Access to Critical Breakthrough Products Act of 2018

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jun 5, 2018

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jun 8, 2018)

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Walorski, Jackie [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Aug 3, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Aug 3, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 5, 2018
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 8, 2018

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Ensuring Patient Access to Critical Breakthrough Products Act of 2018**

This bill (1) allows designated medical breakthrough devices to be temporarily covered under Medicare during a specified transitional period, (2) establishes a process to allow for continued coverage after the transitional period has expired, and (3) modifies other Medicare payment systems relating to new medical technology.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 8, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jun 5, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 5, 2018:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.