

## S 619

### Physical Therapist Workforce and Patient Access Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Mar 14, 2017

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Mar 14, 2017)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]

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

## Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Mar 14, 2017
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Sep 19, 2017

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 14, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1639	Identical bill	Mar 24, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Summary (as of Mar 14, 2017)

### Physical Therapist Workforce and Patient Access Act of 2017

This bill amends the Public Health Service Act to include physical therapy within the definition of "primary health services" for purposes of the National Health Service Corps. The bill makes physical therapists eligible for repayment of their educational loans in order to ensure an adequate supply of physical therapists.

## Actions Timeline

- **Mar 14, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
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