HR 6575

Medicare Prescription Drug Savings and Choice Act of 2018

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Chamber: House
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Jul 26, 2018
Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Aug 13, 2018)
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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 27, 2018
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 13, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1775	Related bill	**Apr 5, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Jul 26, 2018)

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This bill requires the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to offer one or more Medicare-operated prescription drug plan options under the Medicare prescription drug benefit. In doing so, the CMS must: (1) negotiate prices with drug manufacturers; (2) establish an appeals process for denials of plan benefits, including the option for external review and determination by an independent entity; and (3) establish and apply a formulary and formulary incentives. In general, a Medicare-operated drug plan must meet the same requirements as apply to any other prescription drug plan.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 13, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 27, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 26, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 26, 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.

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