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Fairness for Our Hospitals Act of 2017

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 27, 2017
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Apr 27, 2017
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Apr 27, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 27, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 4489	Related bill	May 22, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment.
115 HR 1831	Identical bill	Apr 11, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Apr 27, 2017)

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This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to allow a hospital that meets specified criteria and is located in a state with no rural areas to be considered a Medicare-dependent hospital. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services shall establish and implement a process for reimbursing impacted hospitals for any underpayments resulting from this bill's implementation.

Actions Timeline

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