

## S 1209

### REMEDY Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Apr 11, 2019
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		May 15, 2019
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		May 16, 2019
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		May 22, 2019
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jun 5, 2019
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jul 30, 2019
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Sep 25, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 11, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 3812	Identical bill	Jul 18, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## **Reforming Evergreening and Manipulation that Extends Drug Years Act or the REMEDY Act**

This bill addresses drug patents with respect to Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval of a drug application.

Currently, when the owner of a brand-name drug approval sues a generic drug company for patent infringement based on the generic company's application for FDA approval of a generic version of the brand-name drug, there is generally a 30-month stay on the approval of the generic version. Under this bill, the stay goes into effect only if the lawsuit alleges infringement of a patent that claims the drug compound.

When the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office invalidates a patent for a drug, the FDA must update its list of relevant patents for the drug.

### **Actions Timeline**

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