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American Cures Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

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Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Apr 30, 2019
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 30, 2019
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Apr 30, 2019
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 30, 2019
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Apr 30, 2019
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Budget Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 30, 2019

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 2401	Identical bill	May 6, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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This bill requires certain adjustments to discretionary spending limits over FY2020-FY2024 to accommodate increases in appropriations for agencies that perform biomedical research. Adjustments are required for the National Institutes of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Department of Defense health program, and the Department of Veterans Affairs medical and prosthetics research program.

The bill also requires annual appropriations in FY2020-FY2024 for each of the programs and agencies referenced in this bill to be at least the amount appropriated for FY2019.

The bill exempts appropriations provided pursuant to this bill from sequestration. Sequestration is a process of automatic, usually across-the-board spending reductions under which budgetary resources are permanently cancelled to enforce specific budget policy goals.

Actions Timeline

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