

## S 1437

### Drug-price Transparency in Communications (DTC) Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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

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

### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Alexander, Lamar [R-TN]	R · TN		May 13, 2019
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		May 13, 2019
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		May 13, 2019
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Jul 18, 2019
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Jul 18, 2019
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Nov 6, 2019
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Nov 6, 2019
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Nov 13, 2019
Sen. Braun, Mike [R-IN]	R · IN		Jul 30, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 13, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

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This bill provides statutory authority for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services rule titled *Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Regulation to Require Drug Pricing Transparency*, published on May 10, 2019. The rule requires direct-to-consumer television advertisements for covered drugs and biologics under Medicare and Medicaid to include the list price of a 30-day supply or for a typical course of treatment, if the list price is at least \$35 per month. The rule takes effect July 9, 2019.

## Actions Timeline

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