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Medicare Home Health Flexibility Act of 2019

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jun 5, 2019)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Jun 5, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jun 12, 2019
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Oct 16, 2019
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Oct 17, 2019
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 12, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 5, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 3127	Related bill	Jun 6, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Jun 5, 2019)

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This bill establishes circumstances under which an occupational therapist may conduct an initial or comprehensive assessment for an individual who is eligible for home health services under Medicare. Specifically, an occupational therapist may conduct the assessment if the physician's referral order does not include skilled nursing care but does include (1) occupational therapy, and (2) physical therapy or speech language pathology.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 5, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
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