

HR 2085

CHOICE Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (20 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Apr 4, 2019
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Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Apr 9, 2019
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		Apr 9, 2019
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Apr 9, 2019
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		May 9, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		May 9, 2019
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-13]	D · MI		May 9, 2019
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		Aug 23, 2019
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Sep 26, 2019
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Oct 11, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 5, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1033	Identical bill	Apr 4, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Apr 4, 2019)

Consumer Health Options and Insurance Competition Enhancement Act or the CHOICE Act

This bill requires the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to develop a public health insurance option that meets all federal plan requirements and is available on state and federal health insurance exchanges. Specifically, the CMS must offer silver and gold plans, may offer bronze plans, and must include all essential benefits, consumer protections, and cost-sharing limitations in each plan.

The CMS may contract with a third party to administer the public option plans and states may establish advisory councils to make recommendations to the CMS about the operation and policies of such plans. Further, the CMS must establish geographically adjusted premiums and negotiate provider payment rates for services and prescription drugs covered the plans. If a payment rate cannot be negotiated, the CMS must pay the amount for such service as required under traditional Medicare.

Medicare and Medicaid providers are automatically participants in public option plans unless they opt out, and providers not participating in Medicare or Medicaid may opt in.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 5, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 4, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 4, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.