

HR 2183

State Flexibility and Patient Choice Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** KS • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 10, 2019
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 9, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill revises the procedures for states to waive certain federal health insurance requirements and implement state-administered health insurance programs. Specifically, the bill revises the affordability requirement to allow states to provide coverage of comparable affordability to what is available through the federal health insurance exchange.

Further, the reviewing agencies may consider the budgetary impact of a state waiver program on other federal programs (e.g., Medicaid) when determining whether the waiver application would increase the federal deficit. Additionally, the bill applies the budget-neutrality requirement over the term of the waiver period.

States may certify that a governor has the authority to apply for a waiver under current state law, as an alternative to referencing a specific state statute. The bill also provides expedited review and approval of state applications that are substantially similar to a waiver program that already has been approved.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 10, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Apr 9, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.