

## S 2538

### National Patient Identifier Repeal Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Sep 24, 2019

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sep 24, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/2538>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Paul, Rand [R-KY]

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

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 24, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Sep 24, 2019)

### National Patient Identifier Repeal Act of 2019

This bill repeals the requirement that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) adopt a standard unique health identifier for each individual, employer, health plan, and health care provider.

Historically, language has been included in annual appropriations bills for HHS that prohibits the use of federal funds related to the development of a unique individual identifier. In 2019, however, an appropriations bill passed the House of Representatives without such a prohibition.

## Actions Timeline

• **Sep 24, 2019:** Introduced in Senate

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