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Rural ACO Improvement Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Oct 21, 2019
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Nov 20, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 21, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 5212	Related bill	Nov 22, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Oct 21, 2019)

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This bill requires the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to exclude certain components from a methodology used under the Medicare Shared Savings Program. The program enables accountable care organizations (ACOs) to receive payments for savings stemming from care coordination and management.

Specifically, the bill requires the CMS to exclude an ACO's assigned Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries from certain regional adjustments to the ACO's benchmark for savings determinations, and to otherwise ensure that an ACO is not in a less favorable financial position due to its share of assigned beneficiaries in the region.

Actions Timeline

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