

## S 3029

### Territories Medicare Prescription Drug Assistance Equity Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Dec 12, 2019

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Dec 12, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/3029>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

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

## Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Dec 12, 2019
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Dec 12, 2019
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Dec 12, 2019
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Dec 17, 2019

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 12, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Dec 12, 2019)

### Territories Medicare Prescription Drug Assistance Equity Act of 2019

This bill makes certain subsidies under the Medicare prescription drug benefit available to beneficiaries who reside in Puerto Rico or another U.S. territory. Current law makes such beneficiaries ineligible for premium and cost-sharing subsidies, but establishes a process for U.S. territories to apply for financial assistance with respect to the provision of Medicare prescription drugs. The bill eliminates this process and makes the subsidies available to beneficiaries who reside in a U.S. territory and are otherwise eligible.

## **Actions Timeline**

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