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Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act of 2019

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Feb 6, 2019)

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Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (18 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Feb 6, 2019
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 6, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jun 3, 2019
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jun 11, 2019
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 11, 2019
Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]	D · IL		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 9, 2019
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 25, 2019
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Sep 11, 2019
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 24, 2019
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Nov 5, 2019
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jan 14, 2020
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 25, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 6, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 6, 2019)

Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act of 2019

This bill increases the number of residency positions eligible for graduate medical education payments under Medicare for qualifying hospitals, with an aggregate increase of 3,000 positions per fiscal year for five years. Of these positions, at least 1,500 per fiscal year must be for residents in a shortage specialty residency program (i.e., a program in a specialty in which baseline physician requirements projections exceed the projected supply of total active physicians, as identified by the Health Resources and Services Administration in a specified report).

Actions Timeline

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