

## HR 4040

### Protecting Access to Spinal Surgeries Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jul 25, 2019)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. McBath, Lucy [D-GA-6]	D · GA		Jul 25, 2019
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 25, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Jul 25, 2019)

#### Protecting Access to Spinal Surgeries Act

This bill extends an exception to the application of site-neutral payment rates under the Medicare inpatient prospective payment system.

Currently, certain long-term care hospitals that primarily treat spinal cord injuries are excluded from such payment rates through FY2019 if they meet certain other criteria (e.g., a significant number of discharges of out-of-state patients in FY2014). The bill extends this exception through FY2024.

## Actions Timeline

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