

S 4160

A bill to enable certain hospitals that were participating in or applied for the drug discount program under section 340B of the Public Health Service Act prior to the COVID-19 public health emergency to temporarily maintain eligibility for such program, and for other purposes.

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

Cosponsors (12 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Jul 2, 2020
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Jul 2, 2020
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jul 2, 2020
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Jul 2, 2020
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 2, 2020
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jul 23, 2020
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 23, 2020
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jul 28, 2020
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 28, 2020
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Aug 6, 2020
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Aug 6, 2020
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		Oct 19, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 2, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 2, 2020)

This bill waives certain eligibility requirements for hospitals participating in the 340B drug discount program (i.e., a program that allows entities to receive covered outpatient drugs at reduced prices from manufacturers) during the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) public health emergency. Specifically, the bill waives the required minimum proportion of low-income patients served for hospitals that began participating in the program during or prior to the COVID-19 emergency.

Actions Timeline

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