

## HR 4178

### REFUND Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Aug 9, 2019

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Aug 12, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/4178>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]

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

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 12, 2019
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 9, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 551	Identical bill	Feb 25, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text: CR S1439)

### Summary (as of Aug 9, 2019)

#### Recovering Excessive Funds for Unused and Needless Drugs Act of 2019 or the REFUND Act of 2019

This bill requires drug manufacturers to issue rebates to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) in relation to discarded amounts (i.e., amounts remaining after administration) of single-dose vial drugs that are covered under Medicare. Manufacturers that fail to comply are subject to civil penalties.

The CMS must determine rebate amounts based on payment claims from providers. (Currently, providers may receive payment under Medicare for discarded amounts of single-dose vial drugs through the use of a specific claims modifier.)

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Aug 12, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Aug 9, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 9, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Aug 9, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.