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EMPOWER Care Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Feb 25, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 25, 2019
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Mar 14, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Mar 14, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 25, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 133	Related bill	Dec 27, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-260.
116 HR 3253	Related bill	Aug 6, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-39.
116 HR 1342	Identical bill	Feb 26, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Ensuring Medicaid Provides Opportunities for Widespread Equity, Resources, and Care Act or the EMPOWER Care Act

This bill extends funding through FY2023 for the Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration Program and otherwise revises the program. (Under this program, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services may award grants to state Medicaid programs to assist states in increasing the use of home and community care for long-term care and decreasing the use of institutional care.)

Actions Timeline

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