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Breast Cancer Patient Equity Act

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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 26, 2019)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Feb 26, 2019
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 26, 2019
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Feb 26, 2019
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Jun 3, 2019

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 26, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 1370	Identical bill	Feb 27, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Feb 26, 2019)

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This bill provides for Medicare coverage of custom fabricated breast prostheses following the surgical removal of the breast (i.e., a mastectomy), including replacements of such prostheses. Currently, Medicare covers surgically implanted breast prostheses, as well as some external breast prostheses (e.g., post-surgical bras).

Actions Timeline

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