

## HR 6962

Rural Hospital Sustainability Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 22, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means

**Latest Action:** 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. (May 22, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/6962>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		May 22, 2020
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		May 27, 2020
Del. San Nicolas, Michael F. Q. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Jul 22, 2020
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Sep 1, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 22, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 22, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2157	Identical bill	<b>Jul 18, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Rural Hospital Sustainability Act**

This bill specifically allows the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation to test a model for global payments to hospitals in rural areas.

Under the model, rural hospitals receive fixed, monthly payments from all participating payers (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, and private payers) for inpatient and outpatient services (rather than on a fee-for-service basis). In order to participate, hospitals must conduct a community health needs assessment survey and submit a transformation plan that incorporates the survey results and includes other specified information relating to the global payment model, including targeted populations, types of services, and anticipated Medicare savings.

## **Actions Timeline**

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