

HR 8218

Rural Ambulance Reimbursement Fairness Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** MT • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 11, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 11, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill applies a higher payment rate for ambulance services under Medicare that are provided by certain critical access hospitals (CAHs) or CAH-owned entities in mountainous terrain or in areas with only secondary roads.

Currently, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services must pay 101% of the reasonable costs incurred for ambulance services provided by a CAH or by a CAH-owned entity if the CAH or entity is the only provider or supplier of ambulance services within a 35-mile drive of such CAH. The bill applies this payment rate to services provided by a CAH or entity that is the only provider or supplier of ambulance services within a 15-mile drive of such CAH in mountainous terrain or an area with only secondary roads.

Actions Timeline

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