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Metastatic Breast Cancer Access to Care Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (29 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Apr 22, 2021
Sen. Ernst, Joni [R-IA]	R · IA		Apr 22, 2021
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Apr 22, 2021
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Apr 22, 2021
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Apr 22, 2021
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Apr 22, 2021
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 22, 2021
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Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		May 20, 2021
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		May 20, 2021
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 10, 2021
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Jun 10, 2021
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Jun 16, 2021
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jul 13, 2021
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jul 13, 2021
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 15, 2021
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jul 22, 2021
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Jul 22, 2021
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Aug 5, 2021
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Aug 5, 2021
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 4, 2021
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Mar 1, 2022
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 17, 2022
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Apr 4, 2022
Sen. Kelly, Mark [D-AZ]	D · AZ		May 12, 2022
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		May 26, 2022
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Nov 15, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 22, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 3183	Identical bill	May 13, 2021: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Metastatic Breast Cancer Access to Care Act

This bill expedites payment of Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits and eligibility for Medicare coverage for those with metastatic breast cancer (i.e., breast cancer that has spread to other sites in the body).

Specifically, the bill eliminates the 5-month waiting period for SSDI benefits and the subsequent 24-month waiting period for Medicare coverage for individuals with metastatic breast cancer. Under current law, individuals generally must wait five months after the onset of disability to begin receiving SSDI benefits and an additional 24 months to become eligible for Medicare.

Actions Timeline

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