

HR 1349

The COVID-19 Hospital and Health Provider Loan Conversion Act of 2021

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H873) (Mar 1, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Kaptur, Marcy [D-OH-9]

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

Cosponsors (19 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Allred, Colin Z. [D-TX-32]	D · TX		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Bergman, Jack [R-MI-1]	R · MI		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Feb 25, 2021
Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Mar 2, 2021
Rep. Reschenthaler, Guy [R-PA-14]	R · PA		Mar 8, 2021
Rep. Case, Ed [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-10]	R · OH		Mar 16, 2021
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Mar 19, 2021
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Apr 16, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 26, 2021
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 25, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 25, 2021)

The COVID-19 Hospital and Health Provider Loan Conversion Act of 2021

This bill establishes and otherwise modifies requirements for the Medicare Accelerated and Advance Payment Program during the public health emergency relating to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019). The program provides Medicare payments in advance to eligible providers experiencing claims or cash flow disruptions, such as during national emergencies; the program was specifically expanded in response to COVID-19 to encompass more types of providers, subject to certain recoupment and repayment provisions.

The bill requires the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to waive recoupment and repayment for providers who meet specified requirements. Among other criteria, providers must not have engaged in surprise billing practices with respect to COVID-19 patients. Providers must still repay any amounts not used for COVID-19 expenses; the bill caps the interest rate on such repayments at 2% upon a demonstration of hardship.

The bill also requires private health insurers to treat out-of-network COVID-19 services as in-network for purposes of payment and cost-sharing.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 1, 2021:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H873)
- **Feb 26, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 25, 2021:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 25, 2021:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E168)
- **Feb 25, 2021:** 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.
- **Feb 25, 2021:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.