

S 1692

Concentrating on High-Value Alzheimer's Needs to Get to an End (CHANGE) Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (May 19, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]

Party: Republican • **State:** WV • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (15 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | May 19, 2021 |
| Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI] | D · MI | | May 19, 2021 |
| Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS] | R · MS | | May 19, 2021 |
| Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA] | D · PA | | Jul 14, 2021 |
| Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS] | R · MS | | Jul 14, 2021 |
| Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT] | D · MT | | Sep 21, 2021 |
| Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND] | R · ND | | Oct 21, 2021 |
| Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ] | D · AZ | | Oct 21, 2021 |
| Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC] | R · NC | | Dec 16, 2021 |
| Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD] | D · MD | | Dec 16, 2021 |
| Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT] | D · CT | | Jun 9, 2022 |
| Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME] | I · ME | | Jun 9, 2022 |
| Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN] | D · MN | | Jun 9, 2022 |
| Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH] | D · NH | | Jun 9, 2022 |
| Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI] | D · MI | | Sep 12, 2022 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Finance Committee | Senate | Referred To | May 19, 2021 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 117 HR 3354 | Related bill | May 20, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |

Summary (as of May 19, 2021)

Concentrating on High-value Alzheimer's Needs to Get to an End (CHANGE) Act of 2021

This bill modifies the requirements under Medicare for diagnosing and treating Alzheimer's disease and other cognitive impairments in older adults. Specifically, the bill expands the cognitive impairment detection benefit during annual wellness visits to require the use of validated detection tools and documentation of the results in the patient's medical record. Further, when a cognitive impairment is detected, the patient must be referred to an appropriate diagnostic service provider and other specified supports.

Additionally, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services must implement Medicare policies that increase the identification and response to patients' Alzheimer's disease risk factors and incentivize providers to utilize high-quality cognitive impairment diagnosis practices.

Actions Timeline

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