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Increasing Access to Quality Cardiac Rehabilitation Care Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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

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

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 9, 2021
Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 17, 2021
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Aug 4, 2021
Sen. Warnock, Raphael G. [D-GA]	D · GA		Sep 23, 2021
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Oct 5, 2021
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Oct 6, 2021
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Oct 19, 2021
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Oct 20, 2021

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 9, 2021

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 S 5212	Related bill	Dec 8, 2022: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
117 HR 8812	Related bill	Sep 14, 2022: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
117 HR 1956	Identical bill	Mar 18, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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This bill accelerates and expands certain changes that are scheduled to take effect relating to the coverage of cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs under Medicare.

Currently, such programs require physician supervision. Effective January 1, 2024, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists may also supervise these programs. The bill expedites the effective date of these changes to January 1, 2022, and also allows these practitioners to administer programs in their offices, prepare and sign treatment plans, and prescribe exercise.

Actions Timeline

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