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Improving Seniors' Timely Access to Care Act of 2021

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

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Sen. Kelly, Mark [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Nov 4, 2021
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Nov 4, 2021
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 18, 2021
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Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Dec 15, 2021
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Dec 16, 2021
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Dec 16, 2021
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Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Jan 31, 2022
Sen. Braun, Mike [R-IN]	R · IN		Feb 8, 2022
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Feb 8, 2022
Sen. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN]	R · TN		Mar 15, 2022
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Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		May 2, 2022
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Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		May 17, 2022
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		May 17, 2022
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		May 17, 2022
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		May 17, 2022
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		May 24, 2022
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		May 24, 2022
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 8, 2022
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 8, 2022
Sen. Lummis, Cynthia M. [R-WY]	R · WY		Jun 13, 2022
Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]	D · CT		Jun 13, 2022
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 12, 2022
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Jul 12, 2022
Sen. Scott, Rick [R-FL]	R · FL		Jul 12, 2022
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Jul 28, 2022
Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]	R · FL		Jul 28, 2022
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Sep 7, 2022
Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA]	R · LA		Sep 13, 2022

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Sen. Lankford, James [R-OK]	R · OK		Sep 13, 2022
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Sep 14, 2022
Sen. Hickenlooper, John W. [D-CO]	D · CO		Sep 22, 2022
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Sep 22, 2022
Sen. Fischer, Deb [R-NE]	R · NE		Nov 14, 2022
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Nov 14, 2022
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Nov 14, 2022
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Nov 16, 2022
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Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Dec 14, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 20, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 3173	Identical bill	Sep 15, 2022: Received in the Senate.

Summary (as of Oct 20, 2021)

Improving Seniors' Timely Access to Care Act of 2021

This bill establishes several requirements and standards relating to prior authorization processes under Medicare Advantage (MA) plans.

Specifically, MA plans must (1) establish an electronic prior authorization program that meets specified standards, including the ability to provide real-time decisions in response to requests for items and services that are routinely approved; (2) annually publish specified prior authorization information, including the percentage of requests approved and the average response time; and (3) meet other standards, as set by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, relating to the quality and timeliness of prior authorization determinations.

Actions Timeline

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