

S 3166

Medicaid Dental Benefit Act of 2021

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S7)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S7793-7794) (Nov 4, 2021)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MD • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Nov 4, 2021
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jun 21, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Nov 4, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Nov 4, 2021)

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This bill requires state Medicaid programs to cover dental and oral health services for adults. It also increases the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (i.e., federal matching rate) for such services.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services must develop oral health quality and equity measures and conduct outreach relating to such coverage. Additionally, the Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Payment and Access Commission must report on specified information relating to adult oral health care.

Actions Timeline

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