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Naloxone Affordability Act of 2023

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Apr 27, 2023

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Apr 27, 2023)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]

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

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 27, 2023
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 27, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 27, 2023)

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This bill requires the Government Accountability Office to study health insurance coverage and out-of-pocket costs for naloxone as an over-the-counter medication.

Naloxone is a medication that temporarily reverses opioid overdoses. Historically, naloxone required a prescription and so was typically covered by health insurance. However, the Food and Drug Administration approved a naloxone nasal spray (sold under the brand name Narcan) for use without a prescription on March 29, 2023, and health insurance does not generally cover over-the-counter medications.

Actions Timeline

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