

## HR 2860

### Restoring Rights of Physicians to Own Hospitals Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Dec 17, 2024)

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** IN • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 28, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Restoring Rights of Physicians to Own Hospitals Act**

This bill repeals provisions under the Stark law (i.e., the Physician Self-Referral Law) that require rural providers and physician-owned hospitals to meet certain additional criteria in order to be excepted under the Stark law.

Specifically, the bill repeals provisions that require hospitals to meet the following criteria:

- the hospital had physician ownership or investment and a Medicare provider agreement as of December 31, 2010;
- the hospital does not expand the number of operating rooms, procedure rooms, or beds beyond the number in existence as of March 23, 2010, with limited exceptions;
- the hospital discloses certain information regarding physician ownership and investments to patients, the public, and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services;
- the hospital does not offer certain financial opportunities, and the percentage of ownership or investments does not exceed that in effect as of March 23, 2010;
- the hospital discloses certain information to patients relating to the availability of physicians and makes alternative arrangements when necessary; and
- the hospital was not converted from an ambulatory surgical center on or after March 23, 2010.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 28, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 25, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 25, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.