

HR 3549

PACE Part D Choice Act of 2023

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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

Name: Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]

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

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		May 18, 2023
Rep. Dingell, Debbie [D-MI-6]	D · MI		May 18, 2023
Rep. Steel, Michelle [R-CA-45]	R · CA		Jul 18, 2023
Rep. Miller-Meeks, Mariannette [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Sep 12, 2023
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2023
Rep. Garcia, Robert [D-CA-42]	D · CA		Apr 23, 2024
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Sep 12, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 19, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 8503	Related bill	Dec 17, 2024: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
118 S 3950	Related bill	Mar 14, 2024: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
118 S 1703	Identical bill	May 18, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

PACE Part D Choice Act of 2023

This bill allows Medicare-only beneficiaries who are enrolled in Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) to choose prescription drug plans that are not operated by PACE. (PACE is a program under Medicare and Medicaid that provides in-home and community services for certain individuals as an alternative to nursing home care.)

Specifically, the bill allows PACE enrollees who are Medicare (but not Medicaid) beneficiaries to choose a prescription drug plan that is not a Medicare Advantage plan or operated by PACE and for which annual out-of-pocket costs and federal subsidies are equal to or less than that under the applicable PACE prescription drug plan. The bill also allows for disenrollment from a chosen plan upon a change in medication or demonstration of an unexpected increase in out-of-pocket costs.

PACE programs must conduct outreach, monitor data, and coordinate benefits with respect to such options.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 19, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 18, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **May 18, 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.