

## S 3950

### DUALS Act of 2024

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Mar 14, 2024)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Mar 14, 2024
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Mar 14, 2024
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 14, 2024
Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		Mar 14, 2024
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Mar 14, 2024

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 14, 2024

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 3549	Related bill	Dec 17, 2024: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
118 S 1703	Related bill	May 18, 2023: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Delivering Unified Access to Lifesaving Services Act of 2024 or the DUALS Act of 2024**

This bill creates a program to provide integrated care for individuals who are fully eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid (i.e., dual-eligible individuals).

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) must develop a set of models for states to provide integrated care coordination for dual-eligible individuals; states must choose one of these models and implement the model within four years of their selection. Benefits must include clinical health services, behavioral health services, and long-term services and supports. Care coordination plans must be based on individualized health risk assessments and involve interdisciplinary health care teams. Each individual must be assigned a care coordinator to help the individual with respect to benefits and health care decisions.

The bill provides funds for states and the CMS to implement this program. It also provides funds for outreach and other activities to raise awareness about the program.

The bill also modifies Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), including by allowing those under age 55 to enroll in PACE if they are eligible for Medicare. (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.)

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Mar 14, 2024:** Introduced in Senate
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