

HR 5138

Improving Access to Medicare Coverage Act of 2023

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Aug 4, 2023
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Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Oct 25, 2023
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Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Nov 2, 2023
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Nov 2, 2023
Rep. Mann, Tracey [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Nov 7, 2023
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Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Nov 29, 2023
Rep. Tonko, Paul [D-NY-20]	D · NY		Jan 18, 2024
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Feb 13, 2024
Rep. Neguse, Joe [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Feb 13, 2024
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Mar 5, 2024
Rep. Meuser, Daniel [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Mar 19, 2024
Rep. Tlaib, Rashida [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Mar 29, 2024
Rep. Beyer, Donald S. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Sep 16, 2024
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Sep 27, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 11, 2023
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 17, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill deems an individual receiving outpatient observation services in a hospital as an inpatient for purposes of satisfying the three-day inpatient hospital-stay requirement with respect to Medicare coverage of skilled nursing facility (SNF) services. (Generally, individuals must have been an inpatient at a hospital for at least three days in order to qualify for SNF services. An individual's time spent under observation at a hospital for purposes of determining whether the individual should be admitted does not count towards this requirement.)

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 17, 2024:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Aug 11, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Aug 4, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 4, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.