



Legislative Crosswalk Comparison of S. 1418 vs. H.R. 4157

HIMSS Leg. Principle	Provisions	S. 1418	H.R. 4157
		Wired for Health Care Quality Act	Health Information Technology Promotion Act
Standards	Clarifies definitions	Y	Y
Structural	Codifies Office of National Coordinator of Health Information Technology	Y	Y
Legal	Promotes study of variations in state health information, laws and regulations	Y	Y
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Establishes American Health Information Collaborative (AHIC)	Y	Y
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Promotes strategic plan for coordinating implementation of HIT	Y	Y
Funding	Establishes grant demonstration program	Y	Y
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Requires implementation and certification of health information standards	Y	N
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Proposes demonstration program to integrate information technology into clinical education	Y	N
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Establishes quality measures	Y	N
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Licensure and the electric exchange of health information	Y	Y
Legal	Ensures privacy and security	Y	N
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Proposes G.A.O. study on wrongful health information disclosure	Y	N
Incentives	Proposes study of reimbursement incentives	Y	N
Healthcare Delivery Transformation	Proposes establishment of Health Information Technology Resource Center	Y	N

Funding	Reauthorizes telemedicine incentive grants	Y	N
Legal	Requires study and report on State, regional and community health information exchanges	N	Y
Transformation	Promotes telehealth services across state lines and requires a study within 18 months	N	Y
Transformation	Requirement to complete within 18 months a study and report on expansion of home health-related telehealth services	N	Y
Structural	Study and report within 18 months on store and forward technology that provides for the asynchronous transmission of healthcare information in a single or multimedia format for telehealth	N	Y
Standards	No healthcare provider is required to code or document non-medical information on the external causes of injury	N	Y
Funding	Authorizes total of \$15 million in grants (with \$1 for \$5 matching requirements) for both FY07/FY08 to integrated health systems to promote HIT to improve coordination of care for the uninsured, underinsured, and medically underserved	N	Y
Funding	Authorizes \$5 million in small physician practice demonstration grants for both FY07/FY08	N	Y
Standards	Promotes new procedures to ensure timely updating of standards that enable electronic exchanges	N	Y
Standards	Promotes upgrading ASC X12 and NCPDP standards for transactions occurring on or after April 1, 2009	N	Y
Standards	Promotes updating ICD codes; coding and documentation of non-medical information for services furnished on or after October 1, 2010	N	Y
Legal	Promotes safe harbors to anti-kickback civil penalties and criminal penalties for provision of HIT and training services. Preempts all state laws. Requires report and study to assess the effect of safe harbors on the health system	N	Y

Legal	Provides exception to limitation on certain physician referrals (under Stark) for provision of HIT and training services to healthcare professionals. Preempts all state laws. Requires report and study to assess the effect of safe harbors on the health system	N	Y
Transformation	Improves the availability of information and resources for individuals with low literacy	N	Y
Transformation	Creates study to provide benchmarks for best practices and cost effectiveness for the use of HIT in medically underserved areas	N	Y
Transformation	Ensures that emergency contact information or next of kin information is included in any process to modernize medical records	N	Y
Funding	Focuses a priority of the integrated health system grant program on the improved coordination of care for the uninsured, underinsured, and medically underserved residing in geographically isolated areas or underserved urban areas	N	Y
Standards	Requires study on applicability of health care classification methodologies and codes for purposes beyond the coding services for diagnostic documentation or billing purposes	N	Y
Transformation	Two year demonstration project on impact of HIT on disease management for chronic disease sufferers within the Medicaid population	N	Y

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