

Physician Payments Sunshine Act of 2009 – S. 301

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Why legislation is needed

- Both Patients and members of the medical community should have access to useful information
- Senator Grassley's investigations show patterns of conflicts of interest throughout industry
- Widespread conflicts of interest with federal research dollars
- Companies currently have to comply with a growing number of state requirements

The Sunshine Act

- Goal is to create a single federal reporting system concerning the ties between industry and physicians that is reasonable, robust, and useful.
- S. 301 differs with last year's compromise bill on preemption, thresholds, and penalties.

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