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Senate Approves Health Reform Bill

In a 21-9 vote by the state Senate this afternoon, Vermont's single payer health reform bill, H202, was approved and passed out of the Senate.

This paves the way for Vermont to become the first state in the country with a single-payer health care system.

Due to the Senate amending the bill it received from the state House, the bill will likely go to a legislative conference committee for a final rewording, and then back to each chamber for one more vote, which could happen next week. Governor Shumlin is expected to sign the bill into law at that time.

Click [here](#) to read MVP's statement on the approval of bill H202. This statement is being released to the media this afternoon.

Thank you for your continued support of MVP Health Care.



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Health Reform Bill Wins Initial Approval from the Senate

In a 21-8 vote, Vermont's health reform bill H202 won initial approval from the Senate last night - paving the way for a major overhaul of Vermont's health care system. The Senate will be making a final vote on the bill later today.

The Senate approved some small technical changes to the bill last night, as well a provision exempting current and former Vermont military members from having to pay extra to be included in the Green Mountain Care program. Other amendments were rejected or withdrawn, and others will be reviewed today.

For a complete recap, click [here](#) to read today's Times Argus article, *Health bill gets early nod*.

We will continue to bring you the latest developments on this issue.