

## COVER YOUR BUTT

**Three bills sit in Congress that would cover the butts of thousands of Americans – and help them get the life-saving screenings and treatments they need.**

### **The Bottom Line:**

- Colorectal cancer is the #2 cancer killer in the United States.
- Colorectal cancer is preventable--lives can be saved--through screening and early treatment.

*When colorectal cancer is caught early, 90% of patients are alive 5 years later. When cancer spreads to distant organs like the liver, 90% of patients DIE within 5 years. Screening can make the difference between life and death.*

### **HR 1738: The Colorectal Cancer Prevention, Early Detection, and Treatment Act**

Will establish a program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide colorectal cancer screenings and treatment **for low-income, uninsured and underinsured individuals** who are not eligible for Medicare.

### **HR 1926/S. 1164: The Colon Cancer Screen for Life Act**

Fills the gap in existing Medicare coverage of colorectal cancer screening to include pre-procedure visits and other reimbursements, minimizing the out-of-pocket expenses **for our nation's elderly.**

### **HR 3060: The Colorectal Cancer Screening and Detection Coverage Act**

Requires **private health insurance plans to provide coverage** for colorectal cancer. Plus, the bill protects anyone from being denied a policy due to their need for colorectal cancer screening.

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