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ANOTHER ANTIPSYCHOTIC MEASURE FAILS TO PASS

In an **on-going push** to regulate the use of antipsychotic medications in nursing facilities, another piece of legislation has failed to pass Congress. The Senate did not pass a proposed regulation that would have standardized protocols for obtaining informed consent before administering antipsychotics for off-label use.

This will not affect the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) **antipsychotic initiative** aimed at long-term reductions in the use of antipsychotics in nursing facilities.

Additionally, this will not affect the **updates to the *Nursing Home Compare*** website's display of a facility's use of antipsychotic medications.

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