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Rare Diseases Act of 2001

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (21 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Aug 3, 2001
Sen. Hollings, Ernest F. [D-SC]	D · SC		Sep 12, 2001
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Sep 20, 2001
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Sep 26, 2001
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		Oct 2, 2001
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 3, 2001
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Oct 9, 2001
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	R · OR		Oct 9, 2001
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Dec 5, 2001
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 7, 2002
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 13, 2002
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Feb 13, 2002
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Feb 27, 2002
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Mar 18, 2002
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	R · VA		Apr 10, 2002
Sen. Edwards, John [D-NC]	D · NC		Jun 4, 2002
Sen. Daschle, Thomas A. [D-SD]	D · SD		Jun 6, 2002
Sen. Wellstone, Paul D. [D-MN]	D · MN		Jun 26, 2002
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Jun 27, 2002
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Sep 3, 2002
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 4, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 18, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 4013	Related bill	Nov 6, 2002: Became Public Law No: 107-280.

Summary (as of Dec 18, 2001)

Rare Diseases Act of 2001 - **Title I: National Institutes of Health** - Amends the Pubic Health Service Act to: (1) establish an Office of Rare Diseases at the National Institutes of Health; and (2) provide for rare disease regional centers of excellence. Defines rare disease as any disease or condition affecting less than 200,000 persons in the United States.

Sets forth the duties of such Office and regional centers, including research and educational duties.

Title II: Food and Drug Administration - Amends the Orphan Drug Act to authorize a specified amount of appropriations for FY 2002 and such sums as may be necessary for subsequent fiscal years for grants and contracts for the development of drugs for rare diseases and conditions.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 18, 2001:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Kennedy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 107-129.
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- **Dec 18, 2001:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 298.
- **Oct 16, 2001:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Aug 3, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 3, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8952)
- **Aug 3, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.