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S 1729

Post Terrorism Mental Health Improvement Act

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate Policy Area: Health Introduced: Nov 27, 2001

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Dec 28, 2001) Official Text: https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/senate-bill/1729

Sponsor

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

Party: Democratic • State: MA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 28, 2001
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported Original Measure	Nov 27, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Dec 12, 2001)

Post Terrorism Mental Health Improvement Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to include training and response plans for mental health needs arising out of a disaster within existing mental health services demonstration projects.

(Sec. 3) Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to public entities in areas directly affected by the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to address long-term mental health needs. Permits grantees to enter into contracts with private, nonprofit entities and utilize existing providers. Requires such grants to support outreach and supplemental treatment activities.

(Sec. 4) Permits the Secretary to waive otherwise applicable restrictions on supplemental funding for disaster-related scientific research projects.

(Sec. 5) Extends through FY 2005 the program assisting local communities in assisting children to deal with violence.

Actions Timeline

- Dec 28, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Dec 12, 2001: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S13076-13077)
- Dec 12, 2001: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Dec 12, 2001: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- Dec 12, 2001: Received in the House.
- Dec 12, 2001: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Dec 12, 2001: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- Nov 27, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- Nov 27, 2001: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Kennedy. Without written report.
- Nov 27, 2001: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Original measure reported to Senate by Senator Kennedy. Without written report.
- Nov 27, 2001: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 236.
- Oct 16, 2001: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions ordered to be reported an original measure.