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Elder Fall Prevention Act of 2002

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Hutchinson, Tim [R-AR]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** AR • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Feb 7, 2002
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Feb 7, 2002
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Mar 20, 2002
Sen. Miller, Zell [D-GA]	D · GA		Apr 9, 2002
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 6, 2002

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Jun 11, 2002

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 3695	Identical bill	<b>Mar 5, 2002:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Summary (as of Feb 7, 2002)

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Elder Fall Prevention Act of 2002 - Directs the Administration on Aging within the Department of Health and Human Services to: (1) oversee and support a three-year national education campaign by the National Safety Council focusing on ways to reduce the risk of elder falls and prevent repeat falls; and (2) provide grants for State coalitions for local education campaigns addressing reduction and prevention of elder falls.

Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to: (1) conduct and support research concerning high-risk elders, risk and protective factors, fall reduction strategies, fall prevention interventions, diagnosis and treatment of victims, barriers to adopting proven interventions, and the effectiveness of community programs in preventing assisted living and nursing home falls; and (2) award grants to enable organizations to provide professional education for physicians and health professionals in elder fall prevention.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to : (1) oversee and support demonstration and research projects to be carried out by the Council to assess the utility of targeted fall risk screening and referral programs and to include programs targeting newly-discharged fall victims at high risk for second falls and private-public partnerships involving home design and remodeling; and (2) provide grants to design and implement fall prevention programs in residential and institutional settings, including a multi-State demonstration project.

Directs the Secretary to review the effects of falls on the costs of the Medicare and Medicaid Programs and the potential for reducing costs by expanding covered services, including a review of reimbursement policies.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jun 11, 2002:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Subcommittee on Aging. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 107-505.
- **Feb 7, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 7, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S493)
- **Feb 7, 2002:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S493-494)