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Federal Responsibility for Immigrant Health Act of 2002

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]

Party: Democratic • State: NM • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		May 2, 2002
Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]	R · AZ		May 2, 2002
Sen. Torricelli, Robert G. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		May 2, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 2, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 2, 2002)

Federal Responsibility for Immigrant Health Act of 2002 - Amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to allow Federal Medicaid payments to States for providing pregnancy-related services or services for the testing or treatment for communicable diseases of aliens who are not lawfully admitted for permanent residence or otherwise permanently residing in the United States under color of law.

Gives States the option to eliminate the residency requirement for certain aliens.

Amends the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 to increase the total amount available for allotments for payments to certain States for FY 2003 through 2007, requiring the use of funds from such allotments to assist hospitals and related providers of emergency health services to undocumented aliens that are located in areas that the Secretary of Health and Human Services or a State determines to be substantially impacted by health costs related to undocumented aliens.

Amends the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to exclude health benefits from the list of State and local public benefits for which certain aliens who are not qualified aliens or nonimmigrants are ineligible (thus permits States and localities to provide health care to all individuals.)

Actions Timeline

- **May 2, 2002:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 2, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3872-3873)
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