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# S 257

Improved Patient Access to Clinical Studies Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Feb 6, 2001

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Feb 6, 2001)

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### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]

Party: Republican • State: ME • Chamber: Senate

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 6, 2001

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

**Policy Area:** 

Health

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### **Summary** (as of Feb 6, 2001)

Improved Patient Access to Clinical Studies Act of 2001 - Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, and the Public Health Service Act, as amended by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, to prohibit a group health plan and a health insurance issuer offering coverage in connection with a group health plan from denying, limiting, or imposing additional conditions on coverage if: (1) the enrollee is participating in an approved clinical study; (2) the items and services are furnished according to the study's design or to treat conditions resulting from study participation; and (3) the items and services would otherwise be covered. Amends the Public Health Service Act to apply that prohibition to coverage offered by an issuer in the individual market.

# **Actions Timeline**

- Feb 6, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 6, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1078)
- Feb 6, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.