

HR 3487

Nurse Reinvestment Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (35 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Barrett, Thomas M. [D-WI-5]	D · WI		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Burr, Richard [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-22]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Dingell, John D. [D-MI-16]	D · MI		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Ehrlich, Robert L., Jr. [R-MD-2]	R · MD		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Fletcher, Ernie [R-KY-6]	R · KY		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Hart, Melissa A. [R-PA-4]	R · PA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. John, Christopher [D-LA-7]	D · LA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Kelly, Sue W. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. LoBiondo, Frank A. [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. McCarthy, Carolyn [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Pickering, Charles W. "Chip" [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-20]	R · IL		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Strickland, Ted [D-OH-6]	D · OH		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Tauzin, W. J. (Billy) [R-LA-3]	R · LA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Thurman, Karen L. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Whitfield, Ed [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Dec 13, 2001
Rep. Deutsch, Peter [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Dec 18, 2001
Rep. Hall, Ralph M. [D-TX-4]	D · TX		Dec 18, 2001
Rep. Ross, Mike [D-AR-4]	D · AR		Dec 18, 2001
Rep. Roukema, Marge [R-NJ-5]	R · NJ		Dec 18, 2001
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Dec 18, 2001
Rep. Kennedy, Mark R. [R-MN-2]	R · MN		Dec 19, 2001
Rep. Maloney, James H. [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Dec 19, 2001
Rep. Stupak, Bart [D-MI-1]	D · MI		Dec 19, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 18, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 S 1864	Related bill	Feb 4, 2002: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Jul 22, 2002)

Nurse Reinvestment Act - **Title I: Nurse Recruitment** - Amends the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to promote the nursing profession through public service announcements. Permits the Secretary to make grants to support State and local advertising campaigns, excluding particular employment opportunities.

Expands eligibility for the nursing loan repayment program to include service at any health care facility with a critical shortage of nurses. Restricts service to nonprofits after FY 2007.

Directs the Secretary to provide nursing scholarships in exchange for at least two years of nursing services at facilities with a critical shortage. Makes such program discretionary after FY 2004. Permits part-time service if the aggregate service equals two full-time years. Treats such scholarships, for repayment purposes, as equivalent to those made under the National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program, except as specified.

Grants preference according to financial need. Requires detailed, annual reports to Congress on the loan and scholarship programs, including numbers, demographics, and default rates. Leaves allocation of funds between the loan and scholarship programs to the discretion of the Secretary.

Title II: Nurse Retention - Authorizes the Secretary to award grants or contracts to schools of nursing or health care facilities to expand nursing opportunities: (1) in education, through increased enrollment in four-year degree programs, internship and residency programs, or new technologies such as distance learning; and (2) in practice, through care to underserved populations, care in noninstitutional settings or organized health care systems, and through developing cultural competencies. Makes career ladder programs and activities which enhance professional collaboration, communication, and decision-making eligible for a grant award.

Directs the Secretary to award grants for geriatric care training programs.

Authorizes the Secretary, acting through the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, to establish a student loan fund to increase the number of qualified nursing faculty. Cancels up to 85 % of such loan according to a schedule of employment milestones.

Requires the Comptroller General to study and report to Congress within four years on: (1) national variations in nursing shortages; (2) any differences in nurse hiring practices between profit and nonprofit private entities because of the inclusion of for-profit private entities in the loan repayment program; and (3) whether the scholarship program increased applications to nursing schools.

Authorizes appropriations for all programs for FY 2003 through 2007.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2002:** Signed by President.
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- **Aug 1, 2002:** Became Public Law No: 107-205.
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- **Jul 30, 2002:** Presented to President.
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- **Jul 22, 2002:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S7127-7132)
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Mr. Bilirakis moved that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment. (consideration: CR H5053-5059)
- **Jul 22, 2002:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment to H.R. 3487.
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Resolving differences -- House actions: On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5053-5055)
- **Jul 22, 2002:** On motion that the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5053-5055)
- **Jul 22, 2002:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 23, 2002:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 306.
- **Dec 20, 2001:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H10937)
- **Dec 20, 2001:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR 12/19/2001 H10487-10488)
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- **Dec 20, 2001:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 20, 2001:** Received in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Dec 19, 2001:** Mr. Bilirakis moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Dec 19, 2001:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H10487-10493, H10887)
- **Dec 19, 2001:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 3487.
- **Dec 19, 2001:** At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mrs. Capps objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was withdrawn.
- **Dec 18, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 13, 2001:** Introduced in House
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- **Dec 13, 2001:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.