

HR 5542

Black Lung Consolidation of Administrative Responsibility Act

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Labor and Employment

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Law: 107-275 (Enacted Nov 2, 2002)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Hart, Melissa A. [R-PA-4]

Party: Republican • State: PA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Oct 3, 2002
Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-20]	R · IL		Oct 3, 2002
Rep. Wamp, Zach [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Oct 3, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Oct 3, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 9, 2002)

Black Lung Consolidation of Administrative Responsibility Act - Amends the Black Lung Benefits Act to transfer part B black lung benefit responsibilities from the Commissioner of Social Security to the Secretary of Labor (thus consolidating all black lung benefit responsibility under the Secretary). (Current law makes the Commissioner responsible for part B benefits based on claims filed on or before December 31, 1973, and makes the Secretary responsible for part C benefits based on claims filed after such date.)

## Actions Timeline

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- **Nov 2, 2002:** Signed by President.
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- **Nov 2, 2002:** Became Public Law No: 107-275.
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- **Oct 23, 2002:** Presented to President.
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- **Oct 17, 2002:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Oct 16, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S10601)
- **Oct 16, 2002:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S10601)
- **Oct 9, 2002:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H7306-7307)
- **Oct 9, 2002:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 404 - 0 (Roll no. 448).(text: CR 10/7/2002 H7144-7145)
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- **Oct 9, 2002:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 9, 2002:** Received in the Senate, read twice.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** Mrs. Biggert moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7144-7146)
- **Oct 7, 2002:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5542.
- **Oct 7, 2002:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed until Oct. 8.
- **Oct 4, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1763)
- **Oct 3, 2002:** Introduced in House
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- **Oct 3, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.