

HR 5648

Children's Vision Improvement and Learning Readiness Act of 2002

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Oct 28, 2002)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 28, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 S 3158	Identical bill	Nov 14, 2002: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## Summary (as of Oct 16, 2002)

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Children's Vision Improvement and Learning Readiness Act of 2002 - Allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make grants to States for the purposes of: (1) providing comprehensive eye examinations for children, with priority to go to children under nine years old; and (2) developing and disseminating educational materials with regard to the need and benefits of comprehensive eye examinations for children.

Directs the Secretary to coordinate the grant program, as appropriate, with other Federal and State programs that provide services to children. Prohibits a grant from being made unless the State involved agrees not to make payments from the grant for any item or service for which payment has been made, or can reasonably be expected to be made, with respect to such item or service by an entity that provides health services on a prepaid basis or under any of the following: (1) any State compensation program; (2) an insurance policy; or (3) any Federal or State health benefits program.

Requires a State to submit an annual evaluation of the operations and activities carried out under a grant to the Secretary.

Requires a State to submit an application to the Secretary in order to receive a grant, which shall include a plan for the use of the grant.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Oct 28, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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- **Oct 16, 2002:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.