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HR 624

Organ Donation Improvement Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House
Policy Area: Health
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Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and

Pensions. (Mar 8, 2001)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Bilirakis, Michael [R-FL-9]

Party: Republican • State: FL • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (31 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Barrett, Thomas M. [D-WI-5]	D · WI		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Deutsch, Peter [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Ehrlich, Robert L., Jr. [R-MD-2]	$R \cdot MD$		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Thurman, Karen L. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	$R \cdot MI$		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Waxman, Henry A. [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Wynn, Albert Russell [D-MD-4]	$D\cdotMD$		Feb 14, 2001
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Feb 27, 2001
Rep. Hilliard, Earl F. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Feb 27, 2001
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Feb 27, 2001
Rep. Bentsen, Ken [D-TX-25]	$D \cdot TX$		Mar 1, 2001
Rep. Burr, Richard [R-NC-5]	$R \cdot NC$		Mar 1, 2001
Rep. Cantor, Eric [R-VA-7]	$R \cdot VA$		Mar 1, 2001
Rep. Deal, Nathan [R-GA-9]	$R \cdot GA$		Mar 1, 2001
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-5]	$R \cdot TX$		Mar 1, 2001
Rep. Camp, Dave [R-MI-4]	$R \cdot MI$		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Gordon, Bart [D-TN-6]	D · TN		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	$D \cdot TX$		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Green, Mark [R-WI-8]	$R \cdot WI$		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Hansen, James V. [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Kennedy, Patrick J. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Kleczka, Gerald D. [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Lucas, Ken [D-KY-4]	D·KY		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. McCarthy, Karen [D-MO-5]	$D\cdotMO$		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Morella, Constance A. [R-MD-8]	$R \cdot MD$		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Ney, Robert W. [R-OH-18]	$R \cdot OH$		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	$R \cdot NJ$		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Snyder, Vic [D-AR-2]	D · AR		Mar 6, 2001
Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Mar 6, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Reported By	Mar 7, 2001
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 8, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 7, 2001)

Organ Donation Improvement Act of 2001 - Amends the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants or contracts to States, transplant centers, qualified organ procurement organizations, or other public or private entities for the purpose of providing payment for: (1) travel and subsistence expenses incurred by individuals toward living donations of their organs; and (2) such incidental nonmedical expenses that are so incurred as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

Sets forth payment eligibility criteria and limitations, including that payments may be made for the qualifying expenses of a donating individual only if: (1) the State in which the donating individual resides is a different State than the State in which the intended recipient of the organ resides; and (2) the annual income of the intended recipient of the organ does not exceed \$35,000.

Directs the Secretary to (directly or through grants or contracts) carry out a program to educate the public with respect to organ donation, including the need to provide for an adequate rate of such donations.

Authorizes the Secretary to make grants to public and nonprofit private entities for the purpose of carrying out studies and demonstration projects with respect to providing for an adequate rate of organ donation.

Authorizes the Secretary to make grants to States for the purpose of assisting States in carrying out organ donor awareness, public education and outreach activities and programs designed to increase the number of organ donors within a State, including living donors.

Authorizes appropriations.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 8, 2001: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- Mar 7, 2001: Mr. Bilirakis moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- Mar 7, 2001: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H672-677)
- Mar 7, 2001: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 624.
- Mar 7, 2001: 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.
- Mar 7, 2001: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H682)
- Mar 7, 2001: 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. 31).(text: CR H672-673)
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- Mar 7, 2001: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Mar 6, 2001: Reported by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 107-11.
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- Mar 6, 2001: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 7.
- Feb 28, 2001: Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- Feb 14, 2001: Introduced in House
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- Feb 14, 2001: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.