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S 682

Blind Persons Earnings Equity Act of 2001

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Social Welfare **Introduced:** Apr 3, 2001

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3346)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]

Party: Republican • State: AZ • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (37 total)

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Cosponsor	Party / State Role	Date Joined
Sen. Breaux, John B. [D-LA]	D · LA	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	$R \cdot KS$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Cleland, Max [D-GA]	D · GA	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	$R \cdot MS$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	$R \cdot OH$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Edwards, John [D-NC]	D · NC	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Fitzgerald, Peter [R-IL]	$R \cdot IL$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	$R \cdot NE$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Helms, Jesse [R-NC]	$R \cdot NC$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Hollings, Ernest F. [D-SC]	D · SC	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D·LA	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	$D \cdot M D$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	$R \cdot KS$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	$D \cdot NY$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Shelby, Richard C. [R-AL]	$R \cdot AL$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	$R \cdot OR$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Thurmond, Strom [R-SC]	$R \cdot SC$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	$R \cdot VA$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Wellstone, Paul D. [D-MN]	$D \cdot MN$	Apr 3, 2001
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	$R \cdot OK$	May 1, 2001
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN	May 9, 2001
Sen. Chafee, Lincoln [R-RI]	$R \cdot RI$	Nov 28, 2001
Sen. Campbell, Ben Nighthorse [R-CO]	$R \cdot CO$	Feb 5, 2002
Sen. Craig, Larry E. [R-ID]	$R \cdot ID$	Feb 14, 2002
Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]	$R \cdot VA$	Feb 25, 2002
Sen. Smith, Bob [R-NH]	$R \cdot NH$	Feb 25, 2002
Sen. Hutchinson, Tim [R-AR]	$R \cdot AR$	Feb 28, 2002
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	$R \cdot UT$	Apr 9, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 3, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags	
Policy Area:	
Social Welfare	
Related Bills	
No related bills are listed.	
Summary (as of Apr 3, 2001)	
Blind Persons Earnings Equity Act of 2001 - Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of Social Security Act to restore the link ended by the Senior Citizens' Freedom to Work Act of 1995 between the rules relating to substantial gainful activity for blind individuals and the rules relating to excess earnings under the Social Security earnings test for individuals who have attained retirement age (thus allowing blind individuals, once again, to earn up to the Social Security excess earnings threshold without being regarded as having demonstrated an ability to engage in substantial gainful activity and without losing entitlement to OASDI benefits).	0
Actions Timeline	
 Apr 3, 2001: Introduced in Senate Apr 3, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3346) Apr 3, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3346) 	