

## S 728

### Medicare and Medicaid Nursing Services Quality Improvement Act of 2001

**Congress:** 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Apr 6, 2001

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3715-3717)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3715-3717) (Apr 6, 2001)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/senate-bill/728>

#### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** Senate

#### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		Apr 6, 2001
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	D · ND		Apr 6, 2001

#### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 6, 2001

#### Subjects & Policy Tags

##### Policy Area:

Health

#### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 1510	Identical bill	Apr 25, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
107 HR 1467	Related bill	Apr 19, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Trade.

## **Summary** (as of Apr 6, 2001)

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Medicare and Medicaid Nursing Services Quality Improvement Act of 2001 - Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct a demonstration project under which a resident assistant who lacks certain nurse aide training requirements may perform feeding and hydration for a resident of a skilled nursing facility under the Medicare program under title XVII of the Social Security Act (SSA), or a nursing facility under the Medicaid program under SSA title XIX, in the States of Wisconsin, North Dakota, and not more than six other select States. Directs the Secretary to convene an advisory panel to submit recommendations on the use or improvement of resident assistants in such nursing facilities.

Amends SSA titles XVIII and XIX, as amended by the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000, to authorize the use of resident assistants to perform feeding and hydration that would otherwise be performed by a nurse aide for residents of nursing facilities receiving payments under the Medicare or Medicaid program.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 6, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 6, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3714-3715)
- **Apr 6, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3715-3717)