



# S 819

Early Detection and Prevention of Osteoporosis and Related Bone Diseases Act of 2001

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Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: May 3, 2001

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as

introduced: CR S4247-4249) (May 3, 2001)

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### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Torricelli, Robert G. [D-NJ]

Party: Democratic • State: NJ • Chamber: Senate

## Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		May 3, 2001

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 3, 2001

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

### Health

# **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 HR 1683	Companion bill	Jun 20, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

#### **Summary** (as of May 3, 2001)

Early Detection and Prevention of Osteoporosis and Related Bone Diseases Act of 2001 - Amends the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require a group health plan, and an insurer offering group coverage, to include coverage for bone mass measurement for individuals who: (1) are estrogen-deficient women at clinical risk for osteoporosis; (2) have vertebral abnormalities; (3) are receiving chemotherapy or long-term gluococorticoid (steroid) therapy; (4) have primary hyperparathyroidism, hyperthyroidism, or excess thyroid replacement; (5) are being monitored to assess the response to or efficacy of approved osteoporosis drug therapy; or (6) are men with a low trauma fracture. Regulates frequency and cost sharing. Prohibits related denial of coverage, incentives to individuals, restrictions on provider-patient communications, and provider penalties. Allows State laws providing greater detection or prevention benefits.

Amends the Public Health Service Act to apply the above requirements to coverage offered in the individual market.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- May 3, 2001: Introduced in Senate
- May 3, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4247)
- May 3, 2001: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4247-4249)