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Healthy Children Learn Act

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (May 6, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]

Party: Democratic • State: IL • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	$D \cdot NY$		May 6, 2003
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	$R \cdot ME$		May 6, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 6, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 6, 2003)

Healthy Children Learn Act - Amends the Head Start Act to authorize early Head Start and Head Start programs to carry out asthma, vision, and hearing screening programs.

Amends the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary Of Health and Human Services to award grants to local educational agencies for asthma, vision, hearing, and other health screening programs for public school children.

States that nothing under any law relating to a program that provides health benefits coverage for children and including the payment limitation known as the "free care rule" shall be construed as prohibiting or restricting assistance for children receiving asthma, vision, hearing, or other health screening tests.

Actions Timeline

- May 6, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- May 6, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5786-5787)
- May 6, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.