

HR 1114

Asbestos Compensation Act of 2003

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Kirk, Mark Steven [R-IL-10]

Party: Republican • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (44 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Baker, Richard H. [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Burr, Richard [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Castle, Michael N. [R-DE-At Large]	R · DE		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Doolittle, John T. [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Foley, Mark [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Gillmor, Paul E. [R-OH-5]	R · OH		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Hyde, Henry J. [R-IL-6]	R · IL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Johnson, Nancy L. [R-CT-5]	R · CT		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Kennedy, Patrick J. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Mar 6, 2003
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Rep. Mica, John L. [R-FL-7]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Portman, Rob [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Shays, Christopher [R-CT-4]	R · CT		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-19]	R · IL		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Tiberi, Patrick J. [R-OH-12]	R · OH		Mar 6, 2003
Rep. Bachus, Spencer [R-AL-6]	R · AL		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Boozman, John [R-AR-3]	R · AR		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Bradley, Jeb [R-NH-1]	R · NH		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Ehlers, Vernon J. [R-MI-3]	R · MI		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Gilchrest, Wayne T. [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Greenwood, James C. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Platts, Todd Russell [R-PA-19]	R · PA		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Mar 11, 2003
Rep. Barrett, J. Gresham [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Bereuter, Doug [R-NE-1]	R · NE		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Houghton, Amo [R-NY-29]	R · NY		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Issa, Darrell E. [R-CA-49]	R · CA		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Janklow, William J. [R-SD-At Large]	R · SD		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Kennedy, Mark R. [R-MN-6]	R · MN		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Nethercutt, George R., Jr. [R-WA-5]	R · WA		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Pearce, Stevan [R-NM-2]	R · NM		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Smith, Nick [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Toomey, Patrick J. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Mar 18, 2003
Rep. Brady, Kevin [R-TX-8]	R · TX		Mar 25, 2003
Rep. Ose, Doug [R-CA-3]	R · CA		Mar 25, 2003
Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Mar 25, 2003
Rep. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Mar 25, 2003

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Beauprez, Bob [R-CO-7]	R · CO		Apr 8, 2003
Rep. Leach, James A. [R-IA-2]	R · IA		May 8, 2003
Rep. Pitts, Joseph R. [R-PA-16]	R · PA		Jun 12, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 6, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Law

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 6, 2003)

Asbestos Compensation Act of 2003 - Establishes in the Department of Justice the Office of Asbestos Compensation (OAC) with exclusive jurisdiction over proceedings to determine if a claimant is entitled to compensation for an asbestos claim and the amount of such compensation. Excludes any claim brought under any workers' compensation law or veterans' benefits program.

Establishes within OAC: (1) an Asbestos Compensation Fund to make payments to claimants under this Act; and (2) an Office of Administrative Law Judges for expedited administrative adjudication of asbestos claims..

Requires the OAC to implement a legal assistance program to provide legal representation to claimants.

Prescribes guidelines governing: (1) medical eligibility; (2) damages; (3) come back rights; (4) class actions; (5) core claims; (6) eligible medical categories; (7) fiscal and financial management of the Asbestos Compensation Fund; and (8) transitional civil actions.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 17, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H5459)
- **Mar 6, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Mar 6, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.