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S 1127

Fair and Impartial Rights (FAIR) for Medicare Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: May 22, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7017)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]

Party: Democratic • State: MI • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (13 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		May 22, 2003
Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	$D \cdot NJ$		May 22, 2003
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	$D \cdot CT$		May 22, 2003
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	$D \cdot IL$		May 22, 2003
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D·IA		May 22, 2003
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 22, 2003
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	$D \cdot NJ$		May 22, 2003
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	$D \cdot VT$		May 22, 2003
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	$D \cdot WV$		May 22, 2003
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	$D \cdot ND$		May 23, 2003
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	$D \cdot NV$		May 23, 2003
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	D·FL		Jun 9, 2003
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 16, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 22, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Fair And Impartial Rights (FAIR) for Medicare Act of 2003 - Places within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) any administrative law judge (ALJ) performing functions in the Medicare appeals process. Directs the Secretary of HHS to ensure the independence of such ALJ's according to specified criteria. Requires that they be placed in an administrative office organizationally and functionally separate from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Prohibits any individual who is not a duly appointed ALJ from performing ALJ functions in the Medicare appeals process.

Actions Timeline

- May 22, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- May 22, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7016-7017)
- May 22, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7017)