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# S 1141

Higher-Risk Impaired Driver Act Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

Introduced: May 22, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (May 22, 2003)

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## **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]

Party: Democratic • State: NJ • Chamber: Senate

### **Cosponsors** (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	$R \cdot OH$		May 22, 2003
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jun 20, 2003

# **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 23, 2003

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Transportation and Public Works

### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 2681	Identical bill	Jul 10, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines.

Higher-Risk Impaired Driver Act - Requires the Secretary of Transportation to withhold an increasing percentage (two percent on October 1, 2007; four percent on October 1, 2008; six percent on October 1, 2009; and eight percent on October 1, 2010) of a State's Federal-aid highway funds if the State has not enacted or is not enforcing a higher risk impaired driver law.

Defines such a law as one that provides certain minimum penalties for: (1) a second or subsequent offense of driving while intoxicated (DWI) or driving under the influence (DUI) within a minimum of five consecutive years, of DWI or DUI with a blood alcohol concentration of .15 percent or greater, or of driving-while-suspended if the suspension was the result of a DUI conviction; or (2) refusing a blood alcohol concentration test while under arrest or investigation for involvement in a fatal or serious injury crash. Includes among such penalties: (1) driver's license suspension; (2) motor vehicle impoundment or immobilization; (3) assessment by a certified substance abuse official and assignment to treatment; (4) imprisonment, attachment of an electronic monitoring device, or assignment to a DUI/DWI specialty facility; (5) a \$1,000 fine; (6) payment of court-mandated restitution; (7) probation; and (8) required attendance of a treatment program and a victim impact panel.

### **Actions Timeline**

- May 22, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- May 22, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7054)
- May 22, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.