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Hepatitis C Epidemic Control and Prevention Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 23, 2003

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 3539	Related bill	Dec 4, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of May 23, 2003)

Hepatitis C Epidemic Control and Prevention Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to develop and implement a plan for the prevention, control, and management of hepatitis C virus (HCV), which shall include strategies for education and training, surveillance and early detection, and research. Requires the Secretary to conduct a biennial assessment of the plan.

Directs the Secretary to support the development of voluntary State, local, and tribal HCV testing programs and counseling. Provides for the vaccination of individuals infected with HCV against hepatitis A and B and other infectious diseases.

Directs the Secretary to support the establishment and maintenance of HCV surveillance databases and to establish and support a Hepatitis C Clinical Research Network.

Allows the Secretary to award grants to States, political subdivisions of States, Indian tribes, or non-profit entities that have special expertise relating to HCV, to carry out activities under this Act.

Directs the Director of the National Institutes of Health to establish a Liver Disease Research Advisory Board.

Actions Timeline

- May 23, 2003: Introduced in Senate
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