

## HR 1200

American Health Security Act of 2003

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

**Cosponsors** (44 total)

<b>Cosponsor</b>	<b>Party / State</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Date Joined</b>
Del. Christensen, Donna M. [D-VI-At Large]	D · VI		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Kucinich, Dennis J. [D-OH-10]	D · OH		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Stark, Fortney Pete [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Weiner, Anthony D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Mar 11, 2003
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Rep. Carson, Julia [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Mar 13, 2003
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Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jul 10, 2003
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Jul 10, 2003
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Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Jul 10, 2003
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Jul 10, 2003
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Millender-McDonald, Juanita [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Oct 7, 2003
Rep. Pallone, Frank, Jr. [D-NJ-6]	D · NJ		Oct 7, 2003
Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Oct 7, 2003
Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Oct 28, 2003
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Oct 28, 2003
Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Oct 28, 2003
Rep. Jackson, Jesse L., Jr. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Oct 28, 2003
Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Oct 28, 2003
Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Oct 28, 2003
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Feb 11, 2004

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Tierney, John F. [D-MA-6]	D · MA		Feb 11, 2004
Rep. Jones, Stephanie Tubbs [D-OH-11]	D · OH		May 12, 2004
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Sep 15, 2004

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 11, 2003
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 10, 2003
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 2, 2003
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 26, 2003

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Mar 11, 2003)

American Health Security Act of 2003 - Establishes the American Health Security Program to be administered by the States. Requires a State to establish a State health security program (program) to receive Federal health care funding. Entitles every individual who is a U.S. resident and is a U.S. citizen or national or a lawful resident alien to benefits under a program. Makes benefits portable.

Supersedes titles XVIII (Medicare) and XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act, the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program, and the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS).

Prohibits: (1) deductibles, coinsurance, or copayments for acute care and preventive benefits, subject to exception; (2) providers from charging a patient for covered services; and (3) duplicative private insurance.

Considers a health care provider to be qualified if the provider is licensed or certified and meets State law requirements, Federal requirements, and additional standards specified by the Board.

Establishes the American Health Security Standards Board (the Board) to develop policies and procedures for enrollment, benefits, provider participation, national and State funding levels, assisting programs with planning for capital expenditures and service delivery, and other functions. Mandates uniform reporting standards.

Establishes the American Health Security Quality Council to review and evaluate: (1) practice guidelines; (2) standards of quality, performance measures, and medical review criteria; and (3) develop minimum competence criteria.

Directs the Board to establish a national health security budget specifying the total expenditures to be made by the Federal Government and the States for covered health care services.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to create the American Health Security Trust Fund and appropriates to the Fund specified tax liabilities and current health program receipts.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 4, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H853-854)
- **Apr 10, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 2, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization.
- **Mar 26, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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