

HR 1228

Patient and Physician Safety and Protection Act of 2003

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Mar 17, 2003)

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Sponsor

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Del. Christensen, Donna M. [D-VI-At Large]	D · VI		Mar 10, 2004
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Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		May 5, 2004
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2003
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 12, 2003)

Patient and Physician Safety and Protection Act of 2003 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to require a participating hospital that uses the services of physician residents or postgraduate trainees to limit their working hours to specified schedules.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to promulgate regulations to monitor and supervise postgraduate trainees assigned patient care responsibilities as part of an approved medical training program, as well as to assure patient quality care.

Prescribes whistleblower protections for employees who in good faith report violations of working hour limits. Makes appropriations to the Secretary to provide for additional payments to hospitals for their reasonable additional, incremental costs of compliance with this Act.

Actions Timeline

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