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National Minority Media Opportunities Act

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Aug 1, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Aug 1, 2003
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 1, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 3027	Identical bill	Sep 23, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet.

Summary (as of Aug 1, 2003)

National Minority Media Opportunities Act - Amends the Telecommunications Authorization Act of 1992 to require Federal Communications Commission (FCC) review of the assignment or transfer of a broadcast license used primarily to serve a language minority (persons of American Indian, Asian American, Alaskan Native, or Spanish heritage).

Amends the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to require the FCC, after notice and comment, to report to Congress regarding the ownership and control of broadcast stations (including AM, FM, and television) used to serve language minorities.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 1, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 1, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10914)
- **Aug 1, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.