

## HR 1680

Mercury in Dental Filling Disclosure and Prohibition Act

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Commerce

**Introduced:** Apr 8, 2003

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 24, 2003)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/house-bill/1680>

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 24, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Commerce

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Apr 8, 2003)

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Mercury in Dental Filling Disclosure and Prohibition Act - Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prohibit mercury from being used to make dental fillings as of January 1, 2008.

Deems a device containing mercury intended for use in a dental filling as misbranded effective December 31, 2004, unless it bears a label warning: "Dental amalgam contains approximately 50 percent mercury, a highly toxic element. Such product should not be administered to children less than 18 years of age, pregnant women, or lactating women. Such product should not be administered to any consumer without a warning that the product contains mercury, which is a highly toxic element, and therefore poses health risks."

## Actions Timeline

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- **Apr 24, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 8, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 8, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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