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# S 1684

Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate Policy Area: Health Introduced: Sep 30, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sep 30, 2003)

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## **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]

Party: Democratic • State: LA • Chamber: Senate

## Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 30, 2003
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Sep 30, 2003
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Oct 14, 2003
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Oct 16, 2003
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	$D \cdot IL$		Oct 24, 2003
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Oct 24, 2003
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	$D\cdotNJ$		Oct 24, 2003
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Oct 24, 2003
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	$D \cdot SD$		Mar 25, 2004
Sen. Daschle, Thomas A. [D-SD]	$D \cdot SD$		Jun 22, 2004
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Sep 15, 2004

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 30, 2003

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 1886	Identical bill	May 19, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2003 - Amends the Public Health Service Act and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) to prohibit group health plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance coverage, with regard to hospital stays in connection with breast cancer treatment, from: (1) covering less than 48 hours after mastectomies or less than 24 hours after lymph node dissections; or (2) requiring plan or issuer authorization for prescribing any length of stay. Prohibits: (1) denying eligibility, enrollment, or renewal to avoid these requirements; (2) providing payments or rebates to women; or (3) penalizing or providing incentives to providers. Applies the same requirements to issuers in the individual market.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Sep 30, 2003: Introduced in Senate
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