

HR 2085

Access to Medical Treatment Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 20, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 14, 2003)

Access to Medical Treatment Act - Permits any individual to be treated by a health care practitioner with any medical treatment that the individual desires (including a treatment that is not approved, certified, or licensed by the Secretary of Health and Human Services) if: (1) the practitioner agrees to treat the individual; and (2) the administration of such treatment does not violate licensing laws.

Authorizes health care practitioners to provide any method of treatment to such an individual if certain requirements are met.

Requires a practitioner to report: (1) administering such treatment and discovering it to be a danger to an individual; and (2) the positive effects of an unconventional medical treatment for a life-threatening medical condition.

States that nothing in this Act shall in any way adversely affect the distribution or sale of dietary supplements.

Actions Timeline

- **May 20, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 14, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **May 14, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **May 14, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.