

S 2551

Childhood Obesity Reduction Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Families

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Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** TN • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 21, 2004
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Jul 8, 2004
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	R · MN		Jul 12, 2004
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Jul 12, 2004
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jul 12, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 21, 2004

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 4941	Identical bill	Sep 7, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.

Childhood Obesity Reduction Act - Establishes a Congressional Council on Childhood Obesity to engage in the following activities to encourage every U.S. elementary and middle school to develop and implement a plan to reduce and prevent obesity, promote improved nutritional choices, and promote increased physical activity: (1) work with outside experts to develop the Congressional Challenge to Reduce and Prevent Childhood Obesity; (2) develop and maintain a website on best practices for reducing and preventing childhood obesity; (3) assist schools in establishing goals for the healthy reduction and prevention of childhood obesity; (4) consult and coordinate with the President's Council on Physical Fitness and other Federal initiatives that are conducting activities to reduce and prevent childhood obesity; (5) reward elementary schools, middle schools, and local educational agencies promoting innovative, successful strategies; (6) provide information to secondary schools; and (7) designate model plans for reducing and preventing childhood obesity that are submitted by schools as Congressional Challenge winners.

Establishes the National Foundation for the Prevention and Reduction of Childhood Obesity as a nonprofit private corporation to support and carry out activities to prevent and reduce childhood obesity, including by: (1) establishing a fund to provide endowments for positions within the Council and the Department of Health and Human Services associated with reducing childhood obesity; (2) evaluating model plans used by schools; and (3) making Challenge awards to schools and local agencies for developing and implementing such plans. Requires creation of a committee to incorporate the Foundation under State laws, establish its policies and bylaws, provide for its initial operation, and appoint members of its board of directors.

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### **Actions Timeline**

- **Jun 21, 2004:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 21, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7106)
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