

HR 256

Health Care Coverage Assistance for the Unemployed Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Jan 8, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations. (Feb 21, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Boucher, Rick [D-VA-9]

Party: Democratic • State: VA • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Goode, Virgil H., Jr. [R-VA-5]	R · VA		Jan 8, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 21, 2003
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 3, 2003
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 27, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 8, 2003)

Health Care Coverage Assistance for the Unemployed Act of 2003 - Directs the Secretary of Labor to establish an emergency health coverage assistance program to provide premium assistance for qualified individuals for Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) continuation coverage under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Allows a State to elect to provide temporary Medicaid coverage under title XIX of the Social Security Act for individuals who are: (1) eligible for unemployment benefits; (2) not eligible for COBRA continuation coverage; and (3) not covered under a group health plan, health insurance, Medicare, or Medicaid.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 21, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **Feb 3, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.
- **Jan 27, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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