

S 2837

Continuing Care for Recovering Families Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Sep 23, 2004
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 23, 2004
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Sep 23, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 23, 2004

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Continuing Care for Recovering Families Act - Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), the Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code to allow an eligible individual to elect continuation coverage for group health benefits as provided for in the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) during the 120-day period that begins on the later of the date of enactment of this Act or the date on which the individual experiences a terrorism-related loss of coverage. Provides that: (1) the maximum period required for such coverage shall not be less than the period during which the individual is an eligible individual; and (2) the period between the loss of coverage and the first day of the election period shall be disregarded for purposes of determining the waiting period for coverage of preexisting conditions.

Defines an "eligible individual" as an individual who: (1) is a child or spouse of an individual who suffered physical harm or death as a result of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; (2) that has experienced a terrorism-related loss of health benefits coverage associated with the death, injury, or loss of employment of such an individual; and (3) is not otherwise covered under a health benefits plan or entitled to Medicare benefits.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 24, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S9670-9671)
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 23, 2004:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.