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Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities Prevention Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]

Party: Republican • State: MO • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 4, 2003
Sen. Frist, William H. [R-TN]	R · TN		Feb 4, 2003
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 4, 2003
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Feb 11, 2003
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Feb 11, 2003
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	R · OR		Oct 22, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 6, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 398	Related bill	Feb 13, 2003: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 8.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported in the Senate on November 6, 2003. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities Prevention Act of 2003 - (Sec. 2) Amends the Public Health Service Act concerning the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (Center) to add "disabilities and health" to categories of data which the Secretary of Health and Human Services is directed to collect, analyze, and make available. Requires the Secretary to conduct research on and promote the prevention of birth defects and disabilities and to support a National Spina Bifida Program to prevent and reduce suffering from the nation's most common permanently disabling birth defect.

Modifies Center reporting requirements, including requiring such report to contain information on: (1) individuals living with birth defects and disabilities or developmental disabilities, and recommendations for improving the health and quality of life of such individuals; and (2) recommendations from all birth defects research conferences sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, including conferences related to spina bifida.

Requires that the members of the advisory committee appointed by the Director of the National Center for Environmental Health that have expertise in birth defects, developmental disabilities, and disabilities and health be transferred to and advise the Center.

Authorizes appropriations through FY2007 for the Center.

(Sec. 3) Amends the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 to revise appropriation allotment provisions for State developmental disabilities councils.

(Sec. 4) Directs the Secretary and the Secretary of Education to jointly report on specified surveillance activities under the Children's Health Act of 2000 respecting autism and other developmental disabilities.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 3, 2003:** Signed by President.
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- **Dec 3, 2003:** Became Public Law No: 108-154.
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- **Nov 21, 2003:** Presented to President.
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- **Nov 20, 2003:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H11665-11666)
- **Nov 20, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 415 - 1 (Roll no. 646).(text: CR 11/19/2003 H11577-11578)
- **Nov 20, 2003:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 415 - 1 (Roll no. 646). (text: CR 11/19/2003 H11577-11578)
- **Nov 20, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 19, 2003:** Mr. Bilirakis moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Nov 19, 2003:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H11577-11580)
- **Nov 19, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 286.
- **Nov 19, 2003:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Nov 12, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 12, 2003:** Received in the House.
- **Nov 12, 2003:** Held at the desk.
- **Nov 11, 2003:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S14459-14461; text of measure as reported in Senate: CR S14459-14461)
- **Nov 11, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S14461)
- **Nov 11, 2003:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S14461)
- **Nov 6, 2003:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Gregg with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 108-188.
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- **Nov 6, 2003:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 369.
- **Feb 12, 2003:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 4, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 4, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1888-1889)
- **Feb 4, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.