

## HR 2915

National Health Information Infrastructure Act of 2003

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 8, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

## Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jul 25, 2003)

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National Health Information Infrastructure Act of 2003 - Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to appoint a National Health Information Officer (the Officer) for the Department of Health and Human Services to maintain national leadership in the planning, development, and adoption of a national health information infrastructure (the infrastructure). Directs the Officer, in cooperation with key stakeholders, to develop a strategic plan for such infrastructure which shall contain various components, including a national agenda to guide policymaking, technology investments, and research.

Specifies certain goals for the infrastructure, which include minimizing preventable medical errors and reducing redundant paperwork. Directs the Officer to advise the Secretary on various topics, including to help make an assessment of the best current practices in the development, purchase, and maintenance of medical information technology.

Directs the Secretary to develop or adopt (and to periodically update) voluntary, national data and communications standards that promote the interoperability of health information technology systems across all public and private health care settings.

Allows the Secretary to: (1) enter into contracts to carry out this Act; and (2) test potential national data and communications standards.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 8, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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- **Jul 25, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.