

## S 345

Equal Access to Medicare Act of 2003

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Feb 11, 2003

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2205)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2205) (Feb 11, 2003)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/senate-bill/345>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Edwards, John [D-NC]	D · NC		Feb 11, 2003
Sen. Graham, Bob [D-FL]	D · FL		Feb 11, 2003
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 11, 2003
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	D · MD		Feb 11, 2003

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 11, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Feb 11, 2003)

Equal Access to Medicare Act of 2003 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to prohibit charging membership or other incidental fees, or requiring purchase of items or services not covered by Medicare, as a prerequisite for provision of a Medicare-covered item or service to a Medicare beneficiary.

### Actions Timeline

- **Feb 11, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 11, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2205)
- **Feb 11, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2205)