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# S 379

Medicare Incentive Payment Program Improvement Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Feb 12, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2363)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2363) (Feb

12, 2003)

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### **Sponsor**

Name: Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]

Party: Democratic • State: NM • Chamber: Senate

# Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Thomas, Craig [R-WY]	$R \cdot WY$		Feb 12, 2003
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D·IA		Feb 13, 2003
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Feb 13, 2003
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Feb 13, 2003
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		May 1, 2003

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 12, 2003

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Health

### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### **Summary** (as of Feb 12, 2003)

Medicare Incentive Payment Program Improvement Act of 2003 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish procedures under which the Secretary, and not the physician furnishing the service, is responsible for determining when a payment is required to be made under the Medicare incentive (bonus) payment program.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) establish and implement an ongoing educational program to provide education to physicians under the Medicare program on the Medicare incentive payment program; and (2) conduct an ongoing study of such program for annual reports to Congress.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Feb 12, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 12, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2362-2363)
- Feb 12, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2363)