

## HR 4001

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to use the Agricultural Research Service to conduct research regarding the likelihood and risks of the transfer between animal species of the proteinaceous infectious particles, known as prions, that cause transmissible spongiform encephalopathies, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research.

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 22, 2004

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Mar 18, 2004)

Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct research through the Agricultural Research Service regarding the likelihood and risks of the inter-animal species transfer of the proteinaceous infectious particles (prions) that cause transmissible spongiform encephalopathies. Directs the Service to study the risks associated with feeding livestock by-products to other animals.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 22, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research.
- **Mar 18, 2004:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 18, 2004:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 18, 2004:** Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.