

## HR 596

ERISA Clarification Act of 2003

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Feb 5, 2003

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations. (Mar 24, 2003)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Norwood, Charles W. [R-GA-9]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 24, 2003

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Feb 5, 2003)

ERISA Clarification Act of 2003 - Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) to allow State causes of action to enforce determinations under group health plans regarding coverage of any item or service based on its medical necessity or appropriateness. (Provides that ERISA's general preemption of State causes of action is not to be construed as precluding these specific causes of action.)

### Actions Timeline

- **Mar 24, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **Feb 5, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Feb 5, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.