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Blind Empowerment Act of 2003

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. McCain, John [R-AZ]

Party: Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (23 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]	R · VA		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	R · UT		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Breaux, John B. [D-LA]	D · LA		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Campbell, Ben Nighthorse [R-CO]	R · CO		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Chafee, Lincoln [R-RI]	R · RI		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Fitzgerald, Peter [R-IL]	R · IL		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	R · NE		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Hollings, Ernest F. [D-SC]	D · SC		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	R · OR		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	R · VA		Apr 1, 2003
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Apr 3, 2003
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Apr 11, 2003
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 23, 2004
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Mar 2, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 1, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 173	Identical bill	Jan 23, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.

Summary (as of Apr 1, 2003)

Blind Empowerment Act of 2003 - Amends title II (Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance) (OASDI) of the Social Security Act to increase, by specified increments over five years, the level of earnings demonstrating the ability of a blind person to engage in substantial gainful activity for purposes of determining disability insurance benefit payments.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 1, 2003:** Introduced in Senate
- Apr 1, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4631-4632)
- Apr 1, 2003:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4632)