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S 952

Patient and Physician Safety and Protection Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Apr 30, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5599-5600)

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5599-5600)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]

Party: Democratic • State: NJ • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	$D \cdot NM$		Apr 21, 2004
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 30, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 30, 2003)

Patient and Physician Safety and Protection Act of 2003 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to require a participating hospital that uses the services of postgraduate trainees to limit their working hours to specified schedules.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to promulgate regulations to monitor and supervise postgraduate trainees assigned patient care responsibilities as part of an approved medical training program, as well as to assure patient quality care.

Prescribes whistleblower protections for employees who in good faith report violations of working hour limits.

Makes appropriations to the Secretary to provide for additional payments to hospitals for their reasonable additional, incremental costs of compliance with this Act.

Actions Timeline

- Apr 30, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Apr 30, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5598-5599)
- Apr 30, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5599-5600)