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Emergency Health Care Relief Act of 2005

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Sponsor

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Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Sep 19, 2005
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Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Sep 19, 2005
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Sen. Shelby, Richard C. [R-AL]	R · AL		Sep 20, 2005
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 22, 2005
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Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D · CO		Sep 22, 2005
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Sep 26, 2005
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	R · VA		Sep 30, 2005
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 6, 2005

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 3952	Related bill	Oct 17, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Sep 15, 2005)

Emergency Health Care Relief Act of 2005 - Requires a state to provide medical assistance to eligible Hurricane Katrina survivors under a state Medicaid plan.

Increases the federal medical assistance percentage for providing medical assistance under a state Medicaid plan to any individual residing in certain affected areas of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama.

Amends title XI of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to waive certain requirements in any geographical area in which there are a significant number of evacuees from an emergency area.

Establishes the Disaster Relief Fund for payments to: (1) Medicaid providers to offset costs incurred by such providers as a result of Hurricane Katrina; and (2) state insurance commissioners for making payments to health insurance issuers for health insurance premiums for eligible individuals or qualified employers.

Amends the TANF Emergency Response and Recovery Act of 2005 to revise the definition of "needy state" for purposes of Temporary Assistance for Needy Family (TANF) block grants to include any direct impact states and any other states that provide benefits or services to a family that resided in a direct impact state and traveled to the state as a result of the hurricane. Increases the maximum amount of all TANF loans that can be made to a state.

Allows the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, or Alabama to enter into and participate in an agreement with the Secretary of Labor to make payments of temporary extended unemployment compensation to individuals who are not otherwise entitled to such compensation.

Authorizes modifications to procurement procedures as necessary for the support of Hurricane Katrina rescue and relief operations.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 18, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S11473)
- **Sep 26, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S10416)
- **Sep 19, 2005:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 214.
- **Sep 15, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 15, 2005:** Introduced in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.