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Informed Choice Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 4, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 755	Related bill	**Apr 11, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2005)

Informed Choice Act - Allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make grants to nonprofit community based pregnancy help medical clinics for the purchase of ultrasound equipment. Requires each grantee to: (1) provide free ultrasound examinations to pregnant women; (2) show the visual image of the fetus from the ultrasound examination to each pregnant woman with a general anatomical and physiological description of the fetus; (3) give each pregnant woman the approximate age of the embryo or fetus; (4) provide information on abortion and alternatives to abortion, such as childbirth and adoption, and information concerning public and private agencies that will assist in those alternatives; and (5) obtain medical malpractice insurance. Limits each grant to the lesser of 50 percent of the purchase price of the ultrasound machine involved or $20,000.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 4, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 4, 2005:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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