

## S 224

### Continuing Care for Recovering Families Act

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Feb 1, 2005

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Feb 1, 2005)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/224>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 1, 2005
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Feb 1, 2005
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 14, 2005
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 6, 2005
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [D-CT]	D · CT		May 10, 2005

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 1, 2005

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 477	Identical bill	<b>Mar 24, 2005:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.

## Summary (as of Feb 1, 2005)

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Continuing Care for Recovering Families Act - Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), the Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code to allow spouses and children of victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, to purchase or continue to purchase health insurance coverage, under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), if they elect to do so during a 120-day period beginning on the date when this Act is enacted or on the date when they lose their COBRA coverage, whichever is later. Requires such elected coverage to continue for such eligible individuals unless they are otherwise covered or are eligible under Medicare.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Feb 1, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 1, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S740)
- **Feb 1, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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