

## S 285

### CHEER Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Aug 5, 2005)

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (21 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Feb 3, 2005
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Feb 3, 2005
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 3, 2005
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 8, 2005
Sen. Talent, Jim [R-MO]	R · MO		Feb 8, 2005
Sen. Warner, John [R-VA]	R · VA		Feb 9, 2005
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 14, 2005
Sen. Biden, Joseph R., Jr. [D-DE]	D · DE		Feb 15, 2005
Sen. Dayton, Mark [D-MN]	D · MN		Feb 16, 2005
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Feb 18, 2005
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 18, 2005
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		Feb 28, 2005
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	R · AL		Feb 28, 2005
Sen. Allen, George [R-VA]	R · VA		Mar 1, 2005
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Mar 1, 2005
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Mar 3, 2005
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Mar 3, 2005
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	R · MN		Apr 11, 2005
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Apr 14, 2005
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		May 23, 2005
Sen. Voinovich, George V. [R-OH]	R · OH		Jul 20, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 5, 2005
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	May 11, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 5574	Related bill	<b>Oct 6, 2006:</b> Became Public Law No: 109-307.
109 HR 1246	Related bill	<b>Mar 22, 2005:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Jul 26, 2005)

Children's Hospitals Educational Equity and Research Act or the CHEER Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make payments through FY2010 (currently, through FY2005) to children's hospitals for expenses associated with operating approved graduate medical residency training programs.

Excludes reductions for unused resident positions when calculating the number of full-time residents in a children's hospital's approved training program for purposes of reimbursing direct expenses.

Requires the Secretary to adjust the proportion of such a hospital's costs attributable to wages for differences in hospital wage levels by geographic area.

Authorizes appropriations through FY2010 for direct and indirect expenses associated with operating such programs.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that: (1) perinatal hospitals play an important role in providing quality care and ensuring the best possible outcomes for thousands of seriously ill newborns each year; and (2) medical training programs at perinatal hospitals give providers essential training in treating healthy mothers and babies as well as patients in neonatal intensive care units.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 5, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 27, 2005:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 27, 2005:** Received in the House.
- **Jul 27, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- **Jul 26, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S9056; text as passed Senate: CR S9056)
- **Jul 26, 2005:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S9056; text as passed Senate: CR S9056)
- **May 11, 2005:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Enzi with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 109-66.
- **May 11, 2005:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Enzi with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 109-66.
- **May 11, 2005:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 98.
- **Feb 9, 2005:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 3, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 3, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.