

S 3529

MOTHERS Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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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. (Jun 15, 2006)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]

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

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| Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT] | D · CT | | Aug 3, 2006 |
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Committee Activity

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| Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee | Senate | Referred To | Jun 15, 2006 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Mom's Opportunity to Access Health, Education, Research, and Support for Postpartum Depression Act or the MOTHERS Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to: (1) states to provide to women who have recently given birth and their families, before such women leave their birthing centers, education concerning postpartum depression, postpartum mood and anxiety disorders, and postpartum psychosis and to screen new mothers for such postpartum conditions during their first year of postnatal checkup visits; and (2) public or nonprofit private entities to provide for the delivery of essential services to individuals with such postpartum conditions and their families.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the heads of other federal agencies that administer federal health programs, to organize a series of national meetings that are designed to develop a research plan for postpartum depression and psychosis.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director, to expand and intensify research relating to postpartum conditions to carry out such plan.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 15, 2006:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 15, 2006:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5966)
- **Jun 15, 2006:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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