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## S 707

PREEMIE Act

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Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
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Party: Republican • State: TN • Chamber: Senate

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Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	$D\cdotIL$		Dec 13, 2005
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	$D \cdot SD$		Dec 13, 2005
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	$R \cdot AK$		Dec 13, 2005
Sen. Jeffords, James M. [I-VT]	I · VT		Dec 21, 2005
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jan 30, 2006
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	$D\cdotMD$		Jan 30, 2006
Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]	$D \cdot FL$		Jan 30, 2006
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	$R \cdot GA$		Feb 16, 2006
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	$R \cdot MN$		Mar 13, 2006
Sen. Dorgan, Byron L. [D-ND]	$D \cdot ND$		Mar 13, 2006
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	$R \cdot TX$		Mar 13, 2006
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	D · MD		Mar 13, 2006
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Mar 13, 2006
Sen. Domenici, Pete V. [R-NM]	R · NM		Mar 29, 2006
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Mar 29, 2006
Sen. DeWine, Mike [R-OH]	R · OH		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 26, 2006
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Apr 27, 2006
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		May 26, 2006
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jun 8, 2006
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Jun 23, 2006
Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]	D·IA		Jul 25, 2006
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 31, 2006

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Sen. Frist, William H. [R-TN]	$R \cdot TN$		Aug 1, 2006

### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 2, 2006
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 31, 2006

#### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 2861	Related bill	Jun 9, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

**Summary** (as of Dec 22, 2006)

# (This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on December 9, 2006. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Prematurity Research Expansion and Education for Mothers who deliver Infants Early Act or the PREEMIE Act - (Sec. 3) Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to: (1) expand and coordinate CDC activities on preterm labor and delivery and infant mortality; (2) conduct ongoing epidemiological studies on the relationship between prematurity, birth defects, and developmental disabilities; and (3) establish systems for the collection of maternal-infant clinical biomedical information to link with the Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System.

Requires the Secretary to review existing tools and measures to ensure that such tools and measures include information related to the known risk factors of low birth weight and preterm birth.

(Sec. 4) Allows the Secretary to conduct demonstration projects to improve: (1) the provision of information on prematurity to health professionals and the public; and (2) treatment and outcome for babies born preterm.

(Sec. 5) Requires the Secretary to establish an Interagency Coordinating Council on Prematurity and Low Birthweight.

(Sec. 6) Directs the Secretary, acting through the Surgeon General, to convene a conference on preterm birth.

Authorizes appropriations.

(Sec. 7) Delays (until the earlier of June 30, 2007, or 60 days after enactment of a FY2007 authorization of appropriations to carry out the Head Start Act) the effective date of regulations requiring agencies providing transportation services to ensure that children enrolled in Head Start are transported in school buses or allowable alternate vehicles that: (1) are equipped for use of height- and weight-appropriate child restraint systems; and (2) have reverse beepers.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Dec 22, 2006: Signed by President.
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- Dec 22, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-450.
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- Dec 20, 2006: Presented to President.
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- Dec 9, 2006: Mr. Barton (TX) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- Dec 9, 2006: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR 12/8/2006 H9246-9250)
- Dec 9, 2006: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 707.
- Dec 9, 2006: Failed of passage/not agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by voice vote.(text: CR 12/8/2006 H9246-9248)
- Dec 9, 2006: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by voice vote. (text: CR 12/8/2006 H9246-9248)
- Dec 9, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Dec 9, 2006: Mr. Barton (TX) asked unanimous consent to discharge from committee and consider.
- Dec 9, 2006: Committee on Energy and Commerce discharged.
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- Dec 9, 2006: Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR 12/8/2006 H9304-9306; text of measure as referred in House: CR 12/8/2006 H9304-9305)
- Dec 9, 2006: Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.
- Dec 9, 2006: On passage Passed without objection.
- Dec 9, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Dec 9, 2006: Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.
- Dec 9, 2006: Resolving differences -- Senate actions: Senate agreed to House amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR 12/8/2006 S11828-11830; text as Senate agreed to House amendment: CR 12/8/2006 S11828-11829)
- Dec 9, 2006: Senate agreed to House amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR 12/8/2006 S11828-11830; text as Senate agreed to House amendment: CR 12/8/2006 S11828-11829)
- Aug 2, 2006: Received in the House.
- Aug 2, 2006: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Aug 2, 2006: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- Aug 2, 2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Aug 1, 2006: Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S8550-8551)
- Aug 1, 2006: The committee substitute as amended agreed to by Unanimous Consent.
- Aug 1, 2006: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S8550-8551)
- Aug 1, 2006: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S8550-8551)
- Jul 31, 2006: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Enzi with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 109-298.
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- Jul 31, 2006: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 541.
- Jun 28, 2006: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Nov 14, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S12739)
- Apr 5, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Apr 5, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3212)
- Apr 5, 2005: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3212-3213)