

## S 1588

### CARES Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (17 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		Jun 11, 2007
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 11, 2007
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	R · MN		Jun 11, 2007
Sen. Lugar, Richard G. [R-IN]	R · IN		Jun 11, 2007
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jun 11, 2007
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 11, 2007
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 20, 2007
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 20, 2007
Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]	R · OR		Jun 21, 2007
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Jun 27, 2007
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Nov 8, 2007
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 16, 2008
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		May 19, 2008
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jun 12, 2008
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Jul 23, 2008
Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]	D · WA		Jul 30, 2008
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Oct 1, 2008

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 11, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 1655	Related bill	<b>Jun 27, 2007:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Jun 11, 2007)

Children's Access to Reconstructive Evaluation and Surgery Act or the CARES Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and the Internal Revenue Code to require a group health plan that covers surgical benefits to also cover outpatient and inpatient diagnosis and treatment of a child's congenital or developmental deformity, disease, or injury. Requires that such coverage: (1) be subject to pre-authorization or pre-certification requirements of the plan or issuer; and (2) include any surgical treatment deemed by the treating physician to be medically necessary to approximate a normal appearance. Defines "treatment" to include reconstructive surgical procedures that are performed on abnormal structures of the body caused by congenital defects, abnormalities, trauma, infection, tumors, or disease, including: (1) procedures that do not materially affect the function of the body part being treated; and (2) procedures for secondary conditions and follow-up treatment. Excludes cosmetic surgery performed to reshape normal structures of the body to improve appearance or self-esteem.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 11, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
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