

HR 1655

Children's Access to Reconstructive Evaluation & Surgery (CARES) Act of 2007

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Rep. Space, Zachary T. [D-OH-18]	D · OH		Jun 26, 2008
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-23]	D · CA		Jul 10, 2008
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Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Jul 22, 2008

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Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Jul 22, 2008
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Jul 22, 2008
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Rep. Ross, Mike [D-AR-4]	D · AR		Jul 24, 2008
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Rep. Weiner, Anthony D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Jul 24, 2008
Rep. English, Phil [R-PA-3]	R · PA		Aug 1, 2008
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Aug 1, 2008
Rep. LaTourette, Steven C. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Aug 1, 2008
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Rep. Diaz-Balart, Lincoln [R-FL-21]	R · FL		Sep 17, 2008
Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Sep 17, 2008
Rep. Moran, James P. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		Sep 18, 2008
Rep. Berry, Marion [D-AR-1]	D · AR		Sep 23, 2008
Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Sep 24, 2008
Rep. Gallegly, Elton [R-CA-24]	R · CA		Sep 25, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 27, 2007
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 23, 2007
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 2, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 1588	Related bill	Jun 11, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Mar 22, 2007)

Children's Access to Reconstructive Evaluation & Surgery (CARES) Act of 2007 - 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, and a health insurance issuer offering group coverage, that cover surgical benefits to also cover outpatient and inpatient diagnosis and treatment of a congenital or developmental deformity, disease, or injury of a minor child (defined as child under the age of 22).

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 27, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Apr 2, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 23, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 22, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 22, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.