

S 1854

Stop Senior Suicide Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jul 23, 2007

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S9780-9781) (Jul 23, 2007)

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Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 23, 2007
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 23, 2007
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Nov 5, 2007
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 27, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 23, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 4897	Related bill	<b>Dec 20, 2007:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Stop Senior Suicide Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish an Interagency Geriatric Mental Health Planning Council to coordinate and collaborate on the planning for the delivery of mental health services, to include suicide prevention, to older adults.

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to remove provisions that limit payment for the treatment of mental, psychoneurotic, and personality disorders of an individual who is not an inpatient of a hospital at the time such expenses are incurred.

Requires the Secretary to award grants or cooperative agreements to eligible entities to develop strategies for addressing suicide among the elderly.

Revises provisions requiring centers to provide appropriate information, training, and technical assistance on youth suicide to require such information, training, and assistance on suicide among all ages, particularly for groups that are at a high risk for suicide. Authorizes additional appropriations to carry out such changes.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 23, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 23, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S9779-9780)
- **Jul 23, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S9780-9781)