

S 2407

Pregnant Women Support Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • State: PA • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Apr 28, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 4, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 3192	Related bill	Apr 25, 2008: Executive Comment Requested from USDA.

Pregnant Women Support Act - Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make grants to increase public awareness of resources available to pregnant women to carry their pregnancy to term and new parents.

Amends the Public Health Service Act to allow the Secretary to make grants for the purchase of ultrasound equipment for examinations of pregnant women.

Amends the Public Health Service Act to prohibit a health insurance issuer offering individual coverage from imposing a preexisting condition exclusion or a waiting period or otherwise discriminating against a woman on the basis that she is pregnant.

Provides for continuation coverage for newborns.

Amends title XXI (State Children's Health Insurance Program) (SCHIP) of the Social Security Act to allow states to extend health care coverage to an unborn child.

Requires health facilities that perform abortions to obtain informed consent from a pregnant woman seeking an abortion.

Provides for the collection and dissemination of information on Down syndrome and other prenatally diagnosed conditions.

Allows the Secretary to make grants to public institutions of higher education to establish and operate pregnant and parenting student services offices.

Requires the Secretary to provide for programs to work with pregnant or parenting teens to complete high school.

Authorizes grants for services to pregnant women who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking. Requires states to require a pregnancy determination for homicide victims.

Requires group homes for pregnant and parenting women to provide counseling on adoption and parenting skills.

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to increase and make refundable the tax credit for adoption expenses.

Authorizes appropriations to carry out the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children (WIC program).

Amends the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to increase the eligibility threshold for food stamps.

Authorizes appropriations to carry out the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990.

Authorizes grants to provide to eligible mothers education on the health needs of their infants through visits to their homes by registered nurses.

Authorizes grants for collecting and reporting abortion surveillance data.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 13, 2007:** Star Print ordered on on the bill.
 - **Dec 4, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
 - **Dec 4, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S14743-14745)
 - **Dec 4, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance
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