

HR 3904

Family Asthma Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 22, 2007

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 2175	Identical bill	Oct 17, 2007: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Family Asthma Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), to award grants to eligible entities to conduct pilot projects to prevent and control asthma symptoms and to reduce asthma attacks and improve self-management for individuals and families. Requires the Secretary to give: (1) priority to entities that serve a medically underserved population; and (2) consideration to an adequate rural-urban distribution, so as to gain better information about asthma at the national level.

Authorizes additional appropriations to the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute to develop a National Asthma Action Plan and to fund a report to Congress by the National Asthma Education and Prevention Program.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to: (1) collaborate with state and local health departments to conduct activities to inform and educate the public regarding asthma; (2) conduct asthma surveillance activities to collect data on the prevalence and severity of asthma, the effectiveness of public health asthma intervention, and the quality of asthma management; and (3) compile and annually publish asthma data.

Requires the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to establish Dr. Irving J. Selikoff individual and institutional training grants for education and training of health care providers on the role of environmental factors in the development and prevention of asthma and recurrent asthma attacks.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 22, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Oct 18, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Oct 18, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.