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# HR 446

Christopher and Dana Reeve Quality of Life for Persons with Paralysis Act

Congress: 110 (2007–2009, Ended)

Chamber: House
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Jan 12, 2007

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Mar 2, 2007) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/house-bill/446

## **Sponsor**

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Rep. McNulty, Michael R. [D-NY-21]	$D \cdot NY$		Jan 29, 2007
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	$D\cdotNH$		Jan 29, 2007
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	$D \cdot TX$		Jan 30, 2007
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Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jan 30, 2007
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	$D \cdot TX$		Jan 31, 2007
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-6]	$D \cdot NY$		Feb 16, 2007
Rep. Tiberi, Patrick J. [R-OH-12]	$R \cdot OH$		Jun 13, 2007
Rep. Hare, Phil [D-IL-17]	D·IL		Jun 22, 2007
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Apr 30, 2008

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 2, 2007
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 2, 2007

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

## **Policy Area:**

Health

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 1727	Related bill	Oct 16, 2007: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
110 S 1183	Related bill	Aug 3, 2007: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 326.

Christopher and Dana Reeve Quality of Life for Persons with Paralysis Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to permit the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH): (1) acting through the Director of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, to expand and coordinate NIH activities on paralysis research; (2) to award grants to plan, establish, improve, and provide basic operating support for Christopher Reeve Paralysis Research Consortia; (3) to educate and disseminate information and receive public comment on NIH programs and research regarding paralysis; (4) acting through the Director of the National Institute on Child Health and Human Development and the National Center for Rehabilitation Research, to expand and coordinate NIH research with implications for enhancing daily function for persons with paralysis; and (5) to make grants to plan, establish, improve, and provide basic operating support for multicenter clinical trial networks to design clinical rehabilitation intervention protocols and measures of outcomes on paralysis.

Permits the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to study the health challenges associated with paralysis and other physical disabilities and carry out projects and interventions to improve the quality of life and long-term health status of individuals with such conditions.

Permits the Secretary to award grants for activities related to paralysis, including to: (1) establish paralysis registries; and (2) disseminate information to the public.

Allows the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to: (1) establish Paralysis Research, Education and Clinical Care Centers; and (2) award grants to medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to translate clinical findings and recommendations on paralysis into evidence-based best practices.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Mar 2, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Feb 2, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- Jan 12, 2007: Introduced in House
- Jan 12, 2007: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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.