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Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act of 2008

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 5	Related bill	Jun 20, 2007: Veto message received in Senate. Ordered held at the desk.
110 S 997	Related bill	Mar 28, 2007: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 94.
110 HR 3	Related bill	Jan 12, 2007: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 6.

Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act of 2008 - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct and support research that utilizes human embryonic stem cells, regardless of the date on which the stem cells were derived from a human embryo. Limits such research to stem cells that meet the following requirements: (1) the stem cells were derived from human embryos donated from in vitro fertilization clinics, were created for the purposes of fertility treatment, and were in excess of the needs of the individuals seeking such treatment; (2) prior to donation, it was determined that the embryos would never be implanted in a woman and would otherwise be discarded; and (3) the individuals seeking fertility treatment donated the embryos with written informed consent and received no financial or other inducements.

Requires the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to issue guidelines on research involving human embryonic stem cells. Authorizes the Director to issue guidelines on research involving other human stem cells, as scientifically warranted. Provides for updates of guidelines under this Act. Directs the Secretary to take into consideration guidelines on human stem cell research developed by nationally- and internationally- recognized scientific organizations.

Requires NIH research to comply with guidelines under this Act.

Requires the Director to: (1) determine the extent to which the guidelines under this Act apply to research on human embryonic stem cells derived before the effective date of such guidelines; and (2) include in its biennial report to Congress a summary of research activities on human stem cells.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 26, 2008:** Introduced in House
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- **Sep 26, 2008:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.