

## S 972

### Responsible Education About Life Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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**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 S3625-3626) (Mar 22, 2007)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/110th-congress/senate-bill/972>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]

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

### Cosponsors (18 total)

| Cosponsor                        | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]       | D · CA        |      | Mar 22, 2007 |
| Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]       | D · OH        |      | Mar 22, 2007 |
| Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]          | D · IA        |      | Mar 22, 2007 |
| Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]   | D · MA        |      | Mar 22, 2007 |
| Sen. Murray, Patty [D-WA]        | D · WA        |      | Mar 22, 2007 |
| Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]  | D · NY        |      | Mar 22, 2007 |
| Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]          | D · MT        |      | Mar 27, 2007 |
| Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]       | D · MA        |      | Apr 10, 2007 |
| Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]   | D · IL        |      | Apr 19, 2007 |
| Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD] | D · MD        |      | Apr 25, 2007 |
| Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]     | I · VT        |      | May 2, 2007  |
| Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]     | D · NJ        |      | Jul 24, 2007 |
| Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT] | D · CT        |      | Oct 23, 2007 |
| Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]        | D · IL        |      | Dec 5, 2007  |
| Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]    | D · CA        |      | Apr 1, 2008  |
| Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]    | D · HI        |      | Apr 9, 2008  |
| Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]      | D · WA        |      | May 22, 2008 |
| Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]       | D · NM        |      | Jul 22, 2008 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee  | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Mar 22, 2007 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship   | Last Action  |
|-------------|----------------|--|
| 110 HR 1653 | Identical bill | <b>Mar 23, 2007:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |

Summary (as of Mar 22, 2007)

Responsible Education About Life Act - Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make grants to states for family life education, including education on abstinence and contraception, to prevent teenage pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.

Expresses the sense of Congress that states are encouraged but not required to provide matching funds.

Requires the Secretary to provide for a national evaluation of a representative sample of such programs for effectiveness in changing adolescent sexual behavior, including delaying sexual and high-risk activity, preventing pregnancy and disease (including HIV/AIDS), and increasing contraceptive knowledge. Requires states receiving such grants to provide for an individual evaluation of the state's program by an external, independent entity.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 22, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 22, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3625)
- **Mar 22, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3625-3626)