

HR 1339

Children's Access to Reconstructive Evaluation & Surgery (CARES) Act of 2009

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Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Mar 5, 2009
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Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Mar 5, 2009
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Mar 5, 2009
Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Mar 5, 2009

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Resident Commissioner Pierluisi, Pedro R. [D-PR-At Large]	D · PR		Mar 5, 2009
Rep. Michaud, Michael H. [D-ME-2]	D · ME		Mar 17, 2009
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Mar 17, 2009
Rep. Kilpatrick, Carolyn C. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Mar 25, 2009
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Apr 22, 2009
Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Apr 22, 2009
Rep. Gerlach, Jim [R-PA-6]	R · PA		May 4, 2009
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Rep. Miller, Jeff [R-FL-1]	R · FL		May 12, 2009
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		May 12, 2009
Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		May 12, 2009
Rep. Boyd, Allen [D-FL-2]	D · FL		Jun 2, 2009
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-17]	D · OH		Jun 2, 2009
Rep. Alexander, Rodney [R-LA-5]	R · LA		Jun 11, 2009
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Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Jun 17, 2009
Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Jun 17, 2009
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Jun 17, 2009
Rep. Holden, Tim [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jun 17, 2009
Rep. Jackson, Jesse L., Jr. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Jun 17, 2009
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Rep. Honda, Michael M. [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Jun 24, 2009
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Jun 26, 2009
Rep. Larsen, Rick [D-WA-2]	D · WA		Jun 26, 2009
Rep. Blunt, Roy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Jul 8, 2009
Rep. Richardson, Laura [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Jul 10, 2009
Rep. Carnahan, Russ [D-MO-3]	D · MO		Jul 20, 2009
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-3]	R · OH		Jul 22, 2009
Rep. Baird, Brian [D-WA-3]	D · WA		Sep 9, 2009
Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]	R · TX		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Coble, Howard [R-NC-6]	R · NC		Sep 22, 2009
Rep. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Oct 6, 2009
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Mar 17, 2010
Rep. Hare, Phil [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Apr 15, 2010
Rep. Matheson, Jim [D-UT-2]	D · UT		Apr 21, 2010

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Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Apr 21, 2010
Rep. Stupak, Bart [D-MI-1]	D · MI		Apr 21, 2010
Rep. Visclosky, Peter J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Apr 21, 2010
Rep. Capps, Lois [D-CA-23]	D · CA		May 5, 2010
Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	R · PA		May 5, 2010
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-13]	D · NJ		May 5, 2010
Rep. Andrews, Robert E. [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		May 6, 2010
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		May 11, 2010
Rep. Ross, Mike [D-AR-4]	D · AR		May 11, 2010
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		May 12, 2010
Rep. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM-1]	D · NM		May 24, 2010
Rep. Melancon, Charlie [D-LA-3]	D · LA		Aug 10, 2010
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Sep 28, 2010
Rep. Miller, Brad [D-NC-13]	D · NC		Sep 28, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 29, 2009
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 6, 2009
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 5, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 S 1235	Identical bill	Jun 11, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Mar 5, 2009)

Children's Access to Reconstructive Evaluation & Surgery (CARES) Act of 2009 - Amends the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and the Internal Revenue Code to require a group health plan that covers surgical benefits to also cover outpatient and inpatient diagnosis and treatment of a congenital or developmental deformity, disease, or injury of a minor child (defined as child under the age of 22).

Requires that such coverage: (1) be subject to pre-authorization or pre-certification requirements of the plan or issuer; and (2) include any surgical treatment deemed by the treating physician to be medically necessary to approximate a normal appearance. Defines "treatment" to include reconstructive surgical procedures that are performed on abnormal structures of the body caused by congenital defects, abnormalities, trauma, infection, tumors, or disease, including: (1) procedures that do not materially affect the function of the body part being treated; and (2) procedures for secondary conditions and follow-up treatment. Excludes cosmetic surgery performed to reshape normal structures of the body to improve appearance or self-esteem.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 29, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Mar 6, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 5, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 5, 2009:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Mar 5, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and Labor, and Ways and Means, 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.
- **Mar 5, 2009:** Referred to House Education and Labor
- **Mar 5, 2009:** Referred to House Ways and Means