

S 3696

Direct Care Workforce Empowerment Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Aug 3, 2010

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Aug 3, 2010)

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Aug 3, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 5902	Identical bill	Oct 13, 2010: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

Summary (as of Aug 3, 2010)

Direct Care Workforce Empowerment Act - Amends the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exempt from minimum wage and maximum hour requirements any employee employed on a casual basis in domestic service employment to provide companionship services for individuals who because of disability (or because of age or infirmity, as under current law) are unable to care for themselves.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish: (1) a direct care workforce monitoring program; and (2) a National Advisory Council on the Direct Care Workforce.

Directs the Secretary to award three-year grants to states and other eligible entities to improve the recruitment, retention, and education of the direct care workforce.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 3, 2010:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 3, 2010:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6653)
- **Aug 3, 2010:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.