

## S 750

Caring for an Aging America Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Mar 31, 2009

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**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Mar 31, 2009)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor                          | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]      | R · ME        |      | Mar 31, 2009 |
| Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]     | D · MA        |      | Jun 16, 2009 |
| Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]    | D · NY        |      | Aug 6, 2009  |
| Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY] | D · NY        |      | Mar 11, 2010 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee  | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Mar 31, 2009 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship   | Last Action   |
|-------------|----------------|---|
| 111 HR 3098 | Identical bill | <b>Jul 7, 2009:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |

Caring for an Aging America Act of 2009 - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to: (1) establish a Geriatric and Gerontology Loan Repayment Program to enter into contracts with qualified physicians, nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, pharmacists, social workers, physician assistants, and psychologists to pay educational loans in exchange for providing full-time clinical practice and service to older adults; and (2) establish the National Advisory Council on the Geriatric and Gerontology Loan Repayment Program.

Requires the Secretary to ensure that individuals eligible for the nurse loan repayment program include registered nurses who complete specialty training in geriatrics or gerontology and who elect to provide nursing services to older adults in home and long-term care settings.

Authorizes the Secretary to award nursing education grants and enter into contracts for programs that focus on specialty training in providing long-term care services for nursing personnel who provide services in home and long-term care settings.

Requires the Secretary to establish a Health and Long-Term Care Workforce Advisory Panel to: (1) examine, and provide advice on, workforce issues related to health and long-term care for the aging population; and (2) conduct a research project to identify incentives for recruitment and retention of clinicians and providers who agree to serve vulnerable older adults in geriatric and long-term care settings.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 31, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 31, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4073)
- **Mar 31, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.