

## S 994

### EARLY Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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Sen. Nelson, Ben [D-NE]	D · NE		Jul 30, 2009
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Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Aug 3, 2009
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Aug 4, 2009
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Aug 5, 2009
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Aug 6, 2009
Sen. Hutchison, Kay Bailey [R-TX]	R · TX		Aug 6, 2009
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Sep 8, 2009
Sen. Specter, Arlen [D-PA]	D · PA		Sep 14, 2009
Sen. Voinovich, George V. [R-OH]	R · OH		Sep 22, 2009
Sen. LeMieux, George S. [R-FL]	R · FL		Oct 13, 2009
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Nov 18, 2009

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 7, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

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*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of May 7, 2009)

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Breast Cancer Education and Awareness Requires Learning Young Act of 2009 or EARLY Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to conduct a national evidence-based education campaign: (1) to increase public awareness regarding the threats posed by breast cancer to young women, including the particular risks faced by certain racial, ethnic and cultural groups; and (2) focusing on awareness of risk factors and achieving early detection through community-centered informational forums, public service advertisements, and media campaigns.

Directs the Secretary to award grants to entities to establish national multimedia campaigns that: (1) will encourage young women to be aware of their personal risk factors, strategies and methods for increasing early detection and self awareness, genetic counseling and testing, imaging-based screening methods, evidence based preventative lifestyle changes, and other appropriate breast cancer early detection and risk reduction strategies; (2) will encourage young women of specific higher-risk populations to talk to their medical practitioners about those risks and methods for appropriate screening and surveillance; and (3) may include advertising through specified media.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director, to: (1) establish an advisory committee to assist in creating and conducting the public education campaign; (2) conduct an education campaign to increase awareness among health care professionals; and (3) conduct prevention research.

Directs the Secretary to award grants to organizations and institutions to provide to young women diagnosed with breast cancer substantive assistance and health information from credible sources on: (1) education and counseling regarding fertility preservation; (2) social, emotional, psychosocial, financial, lifestyle, and caregiver support; (3) familial risk factors; and (4) risk reduction strategies to reduce recurrence or metastasis.

### Actions Timeline

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