

## S 481

### Federal Response to Eliminate Eating Disorders Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Harkin, Tom [D-IA]

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

### Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Franken, Al [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 3, 2011
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Mar 3, 2011
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 5, 2011
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Apr 14, 2011
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 2, 2011
Sen. Kohl, Herb [D-WI]	D · WI		May 9, 2011
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 11, 2011
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Oct 13, 2011
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Nov 16, 2011

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 3, 2011

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

Federal Response to Eliminate Eating Disorders Act - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to expand, intensify, and coordinate eating disorder research. Authorizes the Director to award grants for consortia in eating disorder research.

Establishes the Interagency Eating Disorders Coordinating Council within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to: (1) improve the collection, analysis and reporting of state epidemiological data on eating disorders; (2) study the economic costs of eating disorders; and (3) award grants for programs to prevent eating disorders and obesity and to promote health body image and appropriate eating behaviors.

Directs the National Center for Health Statistics and the National Center for Education Statistics to study jointly the impact eating disorders have on educational advancement and achievement.

Requires the Director of CDC to study mandatory reporting of body mass index.

Requires the Secretary to provide for public service announcements on eating disorders.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, to award grants for training and education programs to provide health professions students or residents with an understanding of, and clinical skills pertinent to identifying and treating, eating disorders.

Amends the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to permit funds made available to local education agencies for innovative assistance programs to be used for eating disorder programs.

Amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to expand coverage for eating disorders.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, to award grants for patient advocacy to help individuals with eating disorders obtain adequate health care services and insurance coverage.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 3, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 3, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1228)
- **Mar 3, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S1228-1232)