

## SRES 493

A resolution recognizing that the occurrence of prostate cancer in African-American men has reached epidemic proportions and urging Federal agencies to address that health crisis by supporting education, awareness outreach, and research specifically focused on how prostate cancer affects African-American men.

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 14, 2012
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 14, 2012
Sen. Chambliss, Saxby [R-GA]	R · GA		Jun 14, 2012
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 14, 2012
Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 21, 2012

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 14, 2012

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 SRES 529	Related bill	<b>Jul 26, 2012:</b> Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S5626-5627; text as passed Senate: CR S5626; text of measure as introduced: CR S5493)
112 HRES 313	Related bill	<b>Jun 22, 2011:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Recognizes: (1) that prostate cancer has created a health crisis for African American men; and (2) the importance of health coverage and access to care, as well as promoting informed decision-making between men and their doctors, in screening and treatment options for prostate cancer.

Urges federal agencies to support: (1) prostate cancer research and education, awareness, and early detection efforts at the grass roots levels to end such crisis; and (2) the Office of Minority Health of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in improving health and health care outcomes for African Americans at an elevated risk of prostate cancer.

Urges investment by the National Cancer Institute and National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering, other elements of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and the Department of Defense (DOD) in research focusing on the improvement of early detection and treatment of prostate cancer.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 14, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 14, 2012:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4206-4207)
- **Jun 14, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S4206)