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Huntington's Disease Disability Insurance Access Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (20 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Mar 18, 2021
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Apr 13, 2021
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jun 16, 2021
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Sep 21, 2021
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Oct 19, 2021
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Oct 20, 2021
Sen. Kelly, Mark [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Nov 17, 2021
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Jan 7, 2022
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Apr 5, 2022
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		May 2, 2022
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Jun 7, 2022
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Aug 3, 2022
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Nov 15, 2022
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Nov 15, 2022
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Dec 5, 2022
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Dec 5, 2022
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Dec 5, 2022
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Dec 6, 2022
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Dec 6, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 18, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 2050	Identical bill	Mar 18, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Social Security.

Summary (as of Mar 18, 2021)

Huntington's Disease Disability Insurance Access Act of 2021

This bill expedites payment of Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits and eligibility for Medicare coverage for those with Huntington's disease. This is an inherited disorder that causes brain cells to die, including in areas of the brain that help to control voluntary movement.

Specifically, the bill eliminates the 5-month waiting period for SSDI benefits and the subsequent 24-month waiting period for Medicare coverage for individuals with Huntington's disease. Under current law, individuals generally must wait five months after the onset of disability to begin receiving SSDI benefits and an additional 24 months to become eligible for Medicare.

Actions Timeline

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