

NASHIA TBI TAC Legislative Tracking Grid

109th Congress -- 2005-2006 -- FINAL

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| APPROPRIATIONS/BUDGET PROCESS | | | | | |
| | 1932 | Budget Deficit Reduction Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 2005 | Judd (R-NH) | The DRA passed in February making significant policy changes in several programs. It cut Medicaid by \$6.9 billion over 5 years, however, \$2.1 billion was added to Medicaid for hurricane relief, to support the Family Opportunity Act and the Money Follows the Individual Demonstration Prog.; allows States to impose new co-payments; extends "look behind" to 5 yrs. for seniors transferring assets to qualify for long-term care; changes how back payments are made to SSI recipients; reauthorizes TANF, requires 2 separate parent work rates; cuts \$39.7 billion over all spending over 5 years. | Signed by President 2/8/06. PL 109-171 |
| 4939 | | Global War on Terror Supplemental Appropriations | Lewis (R-CA) | The \$94.5 billion supplemental appropriations bill contains the "deeming" resolution that sets overall spending caps for both the House and Senate for FY2007 at \$873 billion. Did not contain the additional \$7 billion that the Senate had supported in its budget resolution initially for health and educational programs. | Signed by President 6/15/06. PL 109-234 |
| 4890 | | Legislative Line Item Veto Act of 2006 | Ryan (R-WI) | Gives the president the authority to request Congress rescind funding for specific line items in bills he signs into laws. Congress would be required to act within an expedited basis to decide whether to rescind the funds. | House passed 6/22/06. |
| | 3521 | Stop Over Spending Act of 2006 | Judd (R-NH) | Gives line item veto option to the president, however, would allow president to cancel provisions of a bill 1 yr. after signing it; would allow president to withhold funds from programs proposed to cancel 45 days after veto, then hold funds another 45 days if Congress votes down his request to cancel funds. Allows president to withhold funds at the end of the fiscal year, lapsing the funds, discontinuing the program, even if Congress voted against the funds. | Reported out Budget Comm. (S). Placed on S. Calendar 7/14/06. |

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| DIRECT CARE WORKFORCE | | | | | |
| 1374 | | Independent Living Assistance Access Act of 2005 | Cooper (D-TN) Foley (R-FL) | Expands J-1 Visa exchange program to allow participants to work as in-home personal care assistants for adults with disabilities. | Referred to Judiciary Sub.Com. (H) 4/4/05. |
| 1264 | | Direct Support Professionals and Fairness and Security Act of 2005 | Terry (R-NE) Capps (D-CA) | Provides funds to States to increase the wages to targeted direct support professionals under the Medicaid Program. | Referred to Health Sub. (H) 3/22/05. |
| EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES/TRAUMA CARE | | | | | |
| | 760 | The Wakefield Act | Inouye (D-HI) Hatch (R-UT) Kennedy (D-MA),etal | Reauthorizes the Emergency Medical Services for Children Program. | Referred to HELP* Committee (S) 4/11/05. |
| 5555 | | Trauma Care Systems Planning and Development Act of 2006 | Burgess Green (TX) | Reauthorizes Trauma Care Act. Companion bill to S. 265. House Committee held hearing in September, 2006, but did not mark up the bill. | Energy Commerce Committee (H). |
| | 265 | Trauma Care Systems Planning and Development Act of 2005 | Frist (R-TN) Kennedy (D-MA) Roberts (R-KS) Jeffords (I-VT) Talent (R-MO) Murray D-WA) Clinton (D-NY) | Reauthorizes Trauma Care Act; directs study by Institute of Medicine or other entity to study trauma care and research. | Placed on Senate Calendar 2/2/06. |
| EMERGENCY RESPONSE | | | | | |
| H.R. 5441 | | | Rodgers (R-KY) | Appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security. Includes amendments to address needs of persons with disabilities. | Signed 10/04/06. P.L. 109-295 |
| | 2124 | Emergency Preparedness and Response for Individuals with Disabilities | Harkin (D-IA) | Requires Homeland Security to appoint a disability coordinator to ensure needs of individuals with disabilities are met during times of emergency & disaster relief; requires at least 30% of temporary housing to be accessible; & recognizes rights of persons with disabilities to live independently. | Introduced 12/16/05. Referred to Com. on Homeland Security. (S) |
| *HELP = Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee | | | | | |

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| HOUSING | | | | | |
| 1999 | | State and Local Housing Flexibility Act | Miller (R-CA) Feeney (R-FL) King (R-NY) Renzi (R-AZ) Harris (R-FL) Northup (R-KY) Weldon (R-FL) | Replaces Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program with new Flexible Voucher Program. Allows Public Housing Agencies to use funding for only families earning as high as 60-80% median income, thus impacting low-income individuals with disabilities -- those who rely on SSI. | Referred to Subcom. on Housing & Community Opportunity 5/22/06. (H) |
| | 771 | State and Local Housing Flexibility Act of 2005 | Allard (R-CO) Miller (R-CA) | Companion bill to HR 1999. | Referred to Housing, Banking, & Urban Affairs Com. 4/13/05. (S) |
| MEDICAID | | | | | |
| | 1951 | Community Living Assistance Services and Supports Act or CLASS Act | Kennedy (D-MA) DeWine (R-OH) | Establishes a national voluntary insurance program for purchasing community living assistance services and supports. | Referred to Committee on Finance 11/2/05. (S) |
| 3050 | | Covering Kids Act of 2005 | Johnson (R-CT) Townes (D-NY) Bono (R-CA) Kolbe (R-AZ), et al | Amends Medicaid to provide grants to promote innovative outreach & enrollment under State CHIP Program. | Referred to Subcom. on Health 7/1/05. (H) |
| | 1049 | Covering Kids Act of 2005 | Frist (R-TN) 12 co-sponsors | Companion bill to HR 3050. | Referred to Com. on Finance 5/17/05. (S) |
| 1443 | | Family Opportunity Act of 2005 or Dylan Lee James Act | Sessions (R-TX) Waxman (D-CA) | Gives states the option to allow families of children with disabilities to purchase Medicaid Coverage for their children; and to impose income-related premiums with regard to the program. | Included in S.1932. Signed into law. PL 109-171 |
| | 183 | Family Opportunity Act of 2005 or Dylan Lee James Act | Grassley (R-IA) Kennedy (D MA) | Companion bill to HR 1443. See above. | Included in S.1932. PL 109-171 |

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| 910 | | Medicaid Community-Based Attendant Services and Support Act of 2005 (MICASSA) | Davis (D-IL) Shinkus (R-IL) | Amends Medicaid to allow equal access to community care. Companion bill to S. 401. | Referred to Subcom. on Health 3/14/05. (H) |
| | 401 | Medicaid Community-Based Attendant Services and Supports Act of 2005, (MICASSA) | Harkin (D-IA) Specter (R-PA) | Amends Medicaid to allow equal access to in-home services and community care. Companion bill to HR 910. | Referred to Finance Committee 2/16/05. (S) |
| 3063 | | Money Follows the Person Act of 2005 | Kildee (D-MI) 18 co-sponsors | Provides demonstration grants to States for projects that enable Medicaid-eligible individuals to receive long-term care services of choice. | Included in S.1932 Signed into law. PL 109-171 |
| | 528 | Money Follows the Person Act of 2005 | Harkin (D-IA) Clinton (D-NY) Kennedy (D-MA), et al. | Same as HR 3063. Included in S. 1932, Budget Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 that was passed by Senate and returned to for final passage. House. | Part of PL 109-171 |
| PREVENTION | | | | | |
| 3402 | | Violence Against Women & Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 | Sensenbrenner (R-WI) 19 co-sponsors | Bill includes a provision for grants to provide training, technical assistance, advocacy, intervention, and prevention of domestic violence against individuals with disabilities. | Passed; President signed bill 1/5/06. |
| 5608 | | Keeping Seniors Safe Act of 2006 | Hall (R-TX) Pallone (D-NJ) | Provides funding for public awareness to reduce falls among and the elderly; and improve treatment and rehabilitation of those who fall. Companion to S.1531. | Introduced 6/14/06. |
| | 1531 | Keeping Seniors Safe From Falls and Reauthorization of the Traumatic Brain Injury Act. | Enzi (R-WY) Baucus (D-MT) Dole (R-NC), et al. | Provides funds for public awareness to prevent falls among the elderly; and to improve diagnosis & treatment. Same HR 5608. Amended most of S.3661 into the bill. (Doesn't include provisions to reduce/eliminate State match requirements. Does include American Indian Consortium as eligible for State Grant Program.) | Passed S. HELP Committee 9/30/06. |

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| 898 | | Stroke Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act of 2005 | Capps (D-CA) Pickering (R-MS) 111 Co-sponsors | Provides grants to States to improve stroke prevention, diagnosis and rehabilitation; and EMS/health care providers training on strokes and TBI. Similar to S.1064 | Referred to Subcom. on Health (H) 3/14/05. |
| | 1064 | Stroke Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act of 2005 | Cochran (R-MS) 19 co-sponsors | Provides funding for grants to States to improve stroke prevention, diagnosis and rehabilitation; and to develop a stroke care system. Establishes a support network (tele-health, phone consultation). | Referred to HELP Committee 5/18/05. (S) |
| RESPIRE/CAREGIVING | | | | | |
| 5293 | | Senior Independence Act of 2006 | Tiberi (R-OH) | Amends the Older Americans Act of 1965. Expands National Family Caregivers Support Program to support aging parents who are caregivers for their adult children with developmental disabilities. | Passed House. Received in Senate 6/22/06. |
| 6197 | | Older Americans Act Amendments of 2006 | Tiberi (R-OH) et. Al | Amends the Older Americans Act of 1965. Expands caregivers program to support aging caregivers with adult children with developmental disabilities. P.L. 109-365. | Introduced 7/27/06. Pres. signed 10/17/06. |
| | 985 | Kinship Caregiver Support Act | Clinton (D-NY) | Authorizes DHHS grants to State, local agencies to establish a Kinship Navigator Program to assist relative caregivers and their children to connect to services and assistance. | Referred to Finance Committee 5/10/05. (S) |
| 3248 | | Lifespan Respite Care Act of 2005 | Ferguson (R-NJ) Langevin (D-RI) Terry (R-NE) Norwood (R-GA) Wilson (R-NM) (56 co-sponsors total) | Establishes a program to assist families to access affordable, high quality respite care that provide care to children and adults with disabilities. Provisions included in the Ronald Reagan Alzheimer's bills (HR 1262 & S. 602). Companion bill to S. 1283. | Passed 12/06. Sent to President. |
| | 1283 | The Lifespan Respite Care Act | Clinton (D-NY) | Companion bill to HR 3248. Provisions included in the Ronald Reagan Alzheimer's Breakthrough Act of 2005 (HR 1262 and S. 602.) | Referred to HELP Committee 6/21/05. (S) |

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| 1262 | | The Ronald Reagan Alzheimer's Breakthrough Act of 2005 | Smith (R-NJ) Markey (D-MA) Burgess (R-TX) 57 co-sponsors | Funds breakthroughs in Alzheimer's Disease research, while providing more help to caregivers and increasing public awareness. Includes provisions of the Lifespan Respite Care Act which helps caregivers of individuals with disabilities. | Referred to Subcom. on Select Education 4/18/05. (H) |
| | 602 | The Ronald Reagan Alzheimer's Breakthrough Act of 2005 | Miluski (D-MD) Bond (R-MO) Clinton (D-NY) 44 co-sponsors | Companion bill to HR 1262. Includes provisions of the Lifespan Respite Care Act which helps caregivers of individuals with disabilities. | Referred to Finance Committee 3/10/05. (S) |
| TANF | | | | | |
| 240 | | The Personal Responsibility, Work and Family Promotion Act of 2005 | Pryce (R-OH) Thomas (R-CA) Boehner (R-OH) Barton (R-TX) | S. 1932 reauthorized TANF at FY'04 levels through 2010. | Contained in S.1932. PL 109-171 |
| TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY | | | | | |
| 5738 | | Traumatic Brain Injury Act of 2006 | Pascrell (D-NJ) Platts (R-PA) 65 co-sponsors | Reauthorizes HRSA, CDC & NIH programs created under the TBI Act of 1996, as amended, thru 2011. Creates new section authorizing grants of national significance. | Referred to Energy & Commerce (H) 6/29/06. |
| | 3668 | Traumatic Brain Injury Act of 2006 | Hatch (R-UT) Kennedy (D-MA) | Reauthorizes HRSA, CDC & NIH programs created under the TBI Act of 1996, thru 2011. Does not include the section for national grants of significance. (Similar to HR 5738) Amended to S. 1531, now Keeping Seniors Safe from Falls and Reauthorization of the Traumatic Brain Injury Act. | Passed S.HELP Committee 9/30/06 as part of S. 1531. |
| VETERANS | | | | | |
| | 3517 | Heroes at Home Act of 2006 | Clinton (D-NY) | To help National Guard who are deployed to transition back to work and community. Establishes an informational center to provide education and information on TBI, post stress disorders and mental health issues. | Referred to Committee on Armed Forces (S) 6/15/06. |

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| WORKFORCE INVESTMENT/ /VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION /EDUCATION | | | | | |
| 27 | | Job Training Improvement Act of 2005 | McKeon (R-CA) | Reauthorizes Workforce Investment Act and Vocational Rehabilitation Act. Allows States to use VR funds for infrastructure without assurances to expand or improve services for individuals with disabilities. Allows States flexibility to consolidate nine different job training programs. | Passed Senate;- incorporated S. 1021 6/29/2006. |
| | 1021 | Workforce Investment Act Amendments of 2005 | Enzi (R-WY) Kennedy (D-MA) | Reauthorizes Workforce Investment Act and Rehabilitation Act. Includes support for the supported employment program. Does not include provisions for block granting job training programs. | Amended into HR 27; passed Senate 6/29/06. |
| 366 | | Vocational and Technical Education for the Future Act | Castle (R-DE) Boehner (R-OH) McKeon (R-CA) Ehlers (R-MI) Wilson (SC), et al | Reauthorizes the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998. | Passed House. Placed on Legislative Calendar (S) 7/1/05. |
| H. Res. 254 | | Resolution providing for the consideration of HR 366 to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act | Bishop R-UT) | Resolution that the House be considered as a committee of the whole for purposes of passing HR 366. | Passed the House 5/3/05. |
| | 250 | Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Improvement Act of 2005 | Enzi (R-WY) | Reauthorizes the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998. | Signed by President 8/12/06. P.L. 109-270 |
| 5834 | | Protecting Children's Health in Schools Act of 2006 | Dingell (D-MI) Whitfield (R-KY) Miller (D -CA) et al. | Amend Medicaid program to clarify that schools can claim administrative and transportation costs associated with services provided to students with disabilities. | Referred to Subcommitt on Health 1-Aug (H) |
| | 3705 | Protecting Children's Health in Schools Act of 2006 | Kennedy (D-MA) 14 co-sponsors | Companion bill to HR 5834. Bill filed in anticipation of CMS filing rules prohibiting Medicaid reimbursement for school health related programs. | Referred to Finance Committee (S) 7/20/06. |

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