

NASHIA Legislative Tracking Grid

3/22/2010

111th Congress -- 2009-2010

H.R. #	S. #	Title	Sponsors	Comments	Status
		*HELP = Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee			
APPROPRIATIONS & BUDGET					
1		The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Stimulus bill)	Obey (D-WI)	Supplemental appropriations, including increases for Medicaid, research, and disability programs.	Pres. signed 2/17/2009 P.L. 111-6.
1105		Omnibus Appropriations for FY 2010	Obey (D-WI)	Increased the HRSA TBI Federal \$1.1 million; increased TBI CDC and NIDRR TBI programs; earmarks for TBI in Vermont and Alaska.	Signed 3/11/2009 P.L. 111-8.
3288		FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act	Obey (D-WI)	Combined 6 spending bills into one; increased HRSA TBI Program by \$62,000.	Signed 12/16/09. P.L.111-117
4691		Temporary Extension Act of 2010	Rangel (D-NY)	Amends Supplemental Appropriations Act; amends Unemployed Workers & Struggling Families Act; extends Unemployment Compensation benefits; amends/extends physician payment (Medicare) and extends therapy caps.	Pres. signed 3/2/2010. P.L. 111-144.
4872		Reconciliation to Concurrent Budget for 2010	Spratt (D-SC)	Amendments to the S. passed health care reform bill pertaining to budget; closes Medicare prescription "donut hole", among other provisions; removes some earmarked provisions in Senate health care reform bill.	Passed House 3/21/10.
H.Con.Res. 85		Budget Resolution	Spratt (D-SC)	Sets the budget--income and spending-- for FY 2010.	Passed 3/27/09. (House)
	S.Con.R. 13	Budget Resolution	Conrad (D-ND)	Senated has appointed conferees.	Resolving Differences
BRAIN INJURY					
H. Res. 178			Pascrell (D-NJ) 94 co-sponsors	Calls for public awareness of TBI and support for the designation of a National Brain Injury Awareness Month.	Passed House 3/23/2009
1483		National Neurotechnology Initiative (NNTI)	Kennedy (D-RI) Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL)	To foster new discoveries and treatment for brain related illnesses, and injuries.	Referred to Energy & Commerce 3/12/09 (H).
	586	National Neurotechnology Initiative (NNTI)	Murray (D-WA)	Same as H.R. 1483.	Referred HELP (S) 3/12/09.

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DIRECT CARE WORKFORCE					
868		Direct Support Professionals Fairness and Security Act of 2009	Capps (D-CA)	Increases wages to direct support staff providing services to Medicaid eligible persons with disabilities.	Referred to Energy & Commerce 2/4/09.
DISABILITIES					
1205		Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2009 (ABLE Act)	Crenshaw (R-FL)	Allows setting up special accounts for meeting the future needs of children and adults with disabilities.	Referred to Ways/Means Committee 2/26/09 (H)
	493	Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2009 (ABLE Act)	Casey (D-PA)	Same H.R. 1205.	Referred to Finance Committee 2/26/09 (S).
1388		National & Community Services Act "The Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act"	McCarthy (D-NY)	Includes language to increase opportunities for individuals with disabilities to participate in national services.	Signed 4/21/2009 P.L. 111-013.
EDUCATION					
1102		Keep Our Promise to America's Children & Teachers Act or Keep Our PACT Act	Van Hollen (D-MD)	Requires full funding for the Elementary & Secondary Act of 1965; and for IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act).	Referred to Education/ Labor Com. 3/30/2009
4247		Keeping All Students Safe Act	George Miller (D-CA)	Prevent seclusion and restraints in schools; protect students from mental or physical abuse. Passed House 3/3/2010.	Referred to HELP Com. (S) 3/4/10.
	2860	Preventing Harmful Restraint and Seclusion in Schools Act	Dodd (D-CT)	Similar to HR 4247.	Referred to HELP Com. 12/9/2009
HEALTH CARE					
2		Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009	Pallone (D-NJ)	Extends Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). P.L. 111-3.	Signed 2/4/2009.
211		Calling for 2-1-1 Act of 2009	Eshoo (D-CA)	Provides nationwide availability of 2-1-1 for I & R services.	Referred to Energy & Commerce Com. 1/6/09

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479		Wakefield Act	Matheson (D-UT)	Reauthorization of the Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) programs.	Passed House 3/30/09/ Referred to HELP Com. (S).
	408	Wakefield Act	Inouye (D-HI)	Same as H.R. 479; reauthorizes EMSC.	Referred to HELP (S) 2/10/09/
936		National Trauma Center Stabilization Act of 2009	Towns (D-NY)	To ensure continued & future availability of trauma care; prevent closures.	Referred to Energy & Com. 2/10/09
3590		The Patient Protection and Affordable Act	Rangel (D-NY) 40 co-sponsors	Prohibits lifetime caps or annual limits; prohibits pre-existing conditions as an exclusion; expands Medicaid eligibility; includes CLASS Act; includes prevention, rehab, mental health/behavioral health, substance abuse in benefit package. Sent to President for his signature.	Passed Senate 12/26/09. House Agreed to S. Amend. 3/21/2010
4213		American Workers, State and Business Relief Act	Rangel (D-NY)	Extends increased Federal Medicaid (FMAP) thru 6/30/2011; includes extending therapy caps exceptions & Medicare physician fee schedule fix.	Senate passed 3/17/2010.
HEALTH CARE -- LONG-TERM CARE & COMMUNITY SUPPORTS					
	697	Community Living Assistance Services and Supports (CLASS) Act	Kennedy (D-MA)	Creates an insurance program for adults who become functionally disabled to help pay for services and supports they may need.	Introduced 3/25/09.
1721		CLASS Act	Pallone (D-NJ) Dingell (D-MI)	Same as S. 697.	Introduced 3/25/09.
1670		Community Choice Act of 2009	Davis (D-IL)	To provide adults with disabilities and elderly with equal access to attendant care services and other supports under the Medicaid program.	Referred to Energy & Commerce Committee 3/23/09 (H).
	683	Community Choice Act of 2009	Harkin (D-IA) Specter (R-PA)	Same as H.R. 1670.	Referred to Finance Committee 3/24/09 (S).

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HEALTHCARE -- MEDICARE					
43		Medicare Access to Rehabilitation Services Act of 2009	Becerra (D-CA)	Repeals outpatient therapy caps.	Referred to Energy & Commerce Committee 1/6/09 (H).
	46	Medicare Access to Rehabilitation Services Act of 2009	Ensign (R-WY)	Repeals outpatient therapy caps. Same as H.R. 43.	Referred to Finance Committee 1/6/09 (S).
1708		Ending the Medicare Disability Waiting Period Act of 2009	Greene (D-TX)	Amends SSA to phase out 24-month waiting period of individuals with disabilities to become eligible for Medicare benefits.	Referred to 3 committees 3/25/09 (H).
	700	Ending the Medicare Disability Waiting Period Act of 2009	Bingaman (D-NM)	Same as H.R. 1708.	Referred to Committee on Finance 3/25/09 (S).
HOUSING					
1408		Inclusive Home Design Act (IHDA)	Schakowsky (D-IL)	To increase the number of homes accessible to people with disabilities by applying visitability standards.	Referred to Financial Services Committee 3/10/09 (H).
PREVENTION					
	S. Res. 104	National Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week	Dodd (D-CT)	Designates 3rd week of April as Shaken Baby Awareness Week.	Passed & Agreed to 4/20/09 (S).
1938		Promoting Wellness for Individuals with Disabilities Act of 2009	Lowey (D-NY)	Amends Rehab Act and Public Services Act to set standards for medical diagnostic equipment; establishes wellness and promotes prevention of secondary disabilities.	Referred to Energy & Commerce Committee 4/2/09 (H).
VETERANS/MILITARY					
667		Heroes at Home Act of 2009	Salazar (D-CO)	Improves diagnosis & treatment of TBI; expands telehealth/telemental health programs at DoD & VA; provides for training/certification for family caregivers and personal care attendants.	Referred to VA & Armed Services Committees (H) 2/6/2009.

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1546		Caring for Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injury Act of 2009	McNerney (D-CA)	Directs VA to establish a Committee on Care of Veterans with TBI.	Referred to Subcom. On Health 3/17/09 (H).
1701		PTSD/TBI Guaranteed Review for Heroes Act	Jones (R-NC)	Directs DoD to establish a review board for military with PTSD or TBI.	Referred to Armed Services Committee 3/25/09 (H).
	772	Honor Act of 2009	Bond (R-MO)	Enhances benefits for military with PTSD or TBI; improves access to mental health counseling.	Referred to Veterans Affairs Com. 4/1/09 (S).
1821		Equity for Injured Veterans Act of 2009	Filner (D-CA)	Increases vocational rehabilitation & employment assistance.	Referred to Veterans Affairs Committee 3/21/09 (H).
	514	Veterans Rehabilitation and Training Improvements Act of 2009	Akaka (D-HI)	Allows VA to reimburse veterans successfully completing VR for costs incurred, including child care; repeals yearly limit on veterans participating in VA independent living services.	Referred to Veterans Affairs Committee 3/3/09 (S).

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