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<p><b>Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2011</b></p> <p>Amends the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), the Public Health Service Act, and the Internal Revenue Code to require a group or individual health plan that provides medical and surgical benefits to ensure that inpatient (and in the case of a lumpectomy, outpatient) coverage and radiation therapy are provided for breast cancer treatment.</p>		<p>H.R. 111 Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT-3)</p>	<p>121</p>	<p>Introduced: 1/5/11</p> <p>2/25/11 Referred to the Ed &amp; Workforce HELP Subcommittee.</p>
<p><b>Recognizing National Nurses Week on May 6 through May 12, 2011</b></p> <p>Recognizes the contributions of nurses to the U.S. health care system. Expresses support for the goals and ideals of National Nurses Week.</p>		<p>H.Res. 83 Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX-30)</p>	<p>41</p>	<p>Introduced: 2/10/11</p> <p>2/15/11 Referred to the E&amp;C Health Subcommittee</p>

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<p><b>Pancreatic Cancer Research and Education Act</b></p> <p>Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish and implement a Pancreatic Cancer Initiative to assist in coordinating activities to address the high mortality rate associated with pancreatic cancer.</p>	<p>S. 362 Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)</p>	<p>H.R. 733 Rep. Anna Eshoo (D-CA-14)</p>	<p>Senate: 39 House: 170</p>	<p>Introduced: 2/16/11</p> <p>Senate: 2/16/11 Referred to the HELP Committee.</p> <p>House: 2/28/11 Referred to the E&amp;C Health Subcommittee.</p>
<p><b>Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Act of 2011</b></p> <p>Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to require each Medicare participating hospital to implement a hospital-wide staffing plan for nursing services furnished in the hospital.</p>	<p>S. 58 Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-HI)</p>	<p>H.R. 876 Rep. Lois Capps (D-CA-23)</p>	<p>Senate: 1 House: 8</p>	<p>Senate: Introduced 1/25/11 Referred to the Committee on Finance.</p> <p>House: Introduced 3/2/11 3/8/11 Referred to the E&amp;C Health Subcommittee.</p>

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<b>To amend part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to exclude customary prompt pay discounts from manufacturers to wholesalers from the average sales price for drugs and biologicals under Medicare.</b>		H.R. 905 Rep. Edward Whitfield (R-KY-1)	31	Introduced: 3/3/11  3/11/11 Referred to the E&C Health Subcommittee.
<b>Colorectal Cancer Prevention, Early Detection, and Treatment Act</b>  Amends the Public Health Service Act to allow the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to make grants to states and Indian tribes to carry out programs to increase quality colorectal cancer screening.	S. 494 Sen. Joseph Lieberman (I-CT)	H.R. 912 Rep. Kay Granger (R-TX-12)	Senate: 3 House: 29	Introduced: 3/3/11  Senate: 3/7/11 Referred to the HELP Committee House: 3/11/11 Referred to the E&C Health Subcommittee

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<p><b>Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 2011</b></p> <p>Amends the Public Health Service Act to direct the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to award grants to states and nonprofit entities for consumer education about opioid abuse, including methadone abuse.</p>	<p>S. 507 Sen. John Rockefeller (D-WV)</p>		1	<p>Introduced: 3/8/11</p> <p>3/8/11 Referred to the HELP Committee</p>
<p><b>Pill Mill Crackdown Act of 2011</b></p> <p>Amends the Controlled Substances Act to provide for increased penalties for operators of pill mills, and for other purposes.</p>		<p>H.R. 1065 Rep. Vern Buchanan (R-FL-13)</p>	56	<p>Introduced: 3/14/11</p> <p>3/21/11 Referred to the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.</p>
<p><b>National Nurse Act of 2011</b></p> <p>Amends the Public Health Service Act to establish the position of National Nurse for Public Health within the Office of the Surgeon General.</p>		<p>H.R. 1119 Rep. Anthony Weiner (D-NY-9)</p>	18	<p>Introduced: 3/16/11</p> <p>3/28/11 Referred to the E&amp;C Health Subcommittee</p>

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<p><b>Medicare Lung Cancer Early Detection Promotion Act of 2011</b> Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to prescribe an increased radiologist service payment for chest radiography (x-ray) services that use Computer Aided Detection technology for the early detection of lung cancer.</p>		H.R. 1172 Rep. Shelley Berkley (D-NV-1)	10	Introduced: 3/17/11  3/28/11 Referred to the E&C Environment and Economy Subcommittee
<p><b>Lung Cancer Mortality Reduction Act of 2011</b>  Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to implement a comprehensive program to achieve a 50% reduction in the mortality rate of lung cancer by 2020.</p>	S. 752 Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)	H.R. 1394 Rep. Donna Christensen (D-VI)	Senate: 20 House: 31	Introduced: 4/6/11  Senate: 4/6/11 Referred to the HELP Committee.  House: 4/15/11 Referred to the Veterans Affairs Subcommittee on Health.
<p><b>Recognizing the Importance of Breast Cancer Early Detection Efforts</b></p>		H.Res. 234 Rep. Sue Myrick (R-NC-9)	35	Introduced: 4/15/11  4/18/11 Referred to the E&C Health Subcommittee.

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<b>Supporting efforts to raise awareness, improve education, and encourage research and treatment of the psychosocial needs of children, adolescents, and young adults diagnosed with a childhood cancer and their families.</b>		H.Res. 262 Rep. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)	15	Introduced: 5/10/11  5/10/11 Referred to the E&C Committee
<b>National Nursing Shortage Reform and Patient Advocacy Act</b>  Amends the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 201 et seq.).	S. 992 Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA)	H.R. 2187 Rep. Janice Schakowsky (D-IL-9)	Senate: 0 House: 17	Introduced: 5/12/11  Senate: 5/12/11 Referred to the HELP Committee  House: 6/15/11 Referred to the E&C and W&M Committee  6/23/11 Referred to the subcommittee on health
<b>To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to modify the requirements for admission of nonimmigrant nurses in health professional shortage areas.</b>		H.R. 1933 Rep. Lamar Smith (R-TX-21)	4	Introduced: 5/23/11  6/23/11 Committee Consideration and Markup Held

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<p><b>Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Improvement Act of 2011</b></p> <p>Amends titles XI and XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to: (1) eliminate funding limitations for the territories of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa with respect to payments for medical assistance for certain individuals eligible for it only on the basis of being breast or cervical cancer patients; and (2) apply to such assistance a federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for the highest state.</p>		<p>H.R. 2135 Rep. Pedro Pierluisi (D-PR-AL)</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>Introduced: 6/3/11</p> <p>6/3/11 Referred to the E&amp;C Health Subcommittee</p>
<p><b>PROSTATE Act</b></p> <p>This Act may be cited as the 'Prostate Research, Outreach, Screening, Testing, Access, and Treatment Effectiveness Act of 2011' or the 'PROSTATE Act'.</p>	<p>S. 1190 Sen. Jon Tester (D-MT)</p>	<p>H.R. 2159 Rep. Edolphus Towns (D-NY-10)</p>	<p>Senate: 5 House: 31</p>	<p>Introduced: 6/14/11</p> <p>Senate: 6/14/11 Referred to the HELP Subcommittee.</p> <p>House: 6/24/11 Referred to the Armed Services subcommittee on military personnel.</p>

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<b>Breast Cancer Patient Equity Act of 2011</b>  Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to extend coverage to custom fabricated breast prostheses after a mastectomy.	S. 1217 Sen. Olympia Snowe (R-ME)	H.R. 2233 Rep. Mike Ross (D-AR-4)	Senate: 5 House: 11	Introduced: 6/16/11  Senate: 6/16/11 Referred to the Finance Committee  House: 6/16/11 Referred to the E&C and W&M Committees
<b>Preserving Access to Life-Saving Medications Act of 2011</b>		H.R. 2245 Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO-1)	59	Introduced: 6/21/11  6/22/11 Referred to the E&C Subcommittee on Health
<b>Breast Cancer Recovery Improvement Act</b>		H.R. 2510 Rep. Betty Sutton (D-OH-13)	3	Introduced: 7/13/11  7/13/11 Referred to the E&C and W&M Committees
<b>Cancer Drug Coverage Parity Act of 2011</b>  Would require group and individual health insurance coverage and group health plans to provide for coverage of oral anticancer drugs on terms no less favorable than the coverage provided for intravenously administered anticancer medications.		H.R. 2746 Rep. Brian Higgins (D-NY-27)	5	Introduced: 8/1/11  8/1/11 Referred to the E&C , W&M, and Education and Workforce Committees  9/8/11 Referred to the E&W Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions

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<b>Designates the week of October 2 through October 8, 2011, as "National Nurse-Managed Health Clinic Week".</b>	S.Res. 256		1	Introduced: 8/2/11  9/13/11 Agreed to in the Senate by unanimous consent.
<b>Accelerating the End of Breast Cancer Act of 2011</b>		H.R. 3067 Rep. Karen Bass (D-CA-33)	43	Introduced: 9/26/11  9/26/11: Referred to the E&C Committee.
<b>Supporting Colorectal Examination and Education Now (SCREEN) Act</b>  To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act and title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to improve coverage for colorectal screening tests under Medicare and private health insurance coverage, and for other purposes.		H.R. 3198 Rep. Richard Neal (D-MA-2)	0	Introduced: 10/12/11  9/13/11: Referred to the E&C and W&M Committees

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<p><b>Improving Cancer Treatment Education Act</b></p> <p>Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act, as amended by the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008, to provide for Medicare coverage of comprehensive cancer patient treatment education services.</p>		<p>H.R. 3622 Rep. Steve Israel (D-NY-2)</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>Introduced: 12/8/11</p> <p>12/8/11: Referred to the E&amp;C and W&amp;M Committees</p>

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