



Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be an increased Federal commitments supporting the development of innovative advanced imaging technologies for prostate cancer detection and treatment

FLOOR SITUATION

H.Res. 353 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Elijah Cummings (D-MD) on May 1, 2007. The bill was referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, but was never considered.

H.Res. 353 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on June 24, 2008.

SUMMARY

H.Res. 353 resolves that it is the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress and the Executive Branch should recognize the successful use of advanced imaging technologies in the fight against breast cancer and provide additional support for the research and development of technologies for prostate cancer detection and treatment comparable to state-of-the-art mammograms.

BACKGROUND

Every year, approximately 186,000 Americans are diagnosed with prostate cancer and 29,000 men die from the disease. This cancer forms in tissues of the prostate, a gland below the bladder in the male reproductive system. Prostate cancer usually occurs in older men.

A recent National Cancer Institute study demonstrated that the most common available methods of detecting prostate cancer, blood tests and physical exams, are not always reliable. It is believed that advanced imaging technologies may be able to help effectively detect and treat prostate cancer.

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