

107TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 258

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the medicare program of annual screening pap smear and screening pelvic exams.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 6, 2001

Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mrs. LINCOLN) introduced the following bill;  
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Providing Annual Pap  
5 Tests to Save Women’s Lives Act of 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. COVERAGE OF ANNUAL SCREENING PAP SMEAR**  
7 **AND PELVIC EXAMS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—

1           (1) ANNUAL SCREENING PAP SMEAR.—Section  
2           1861(nn)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
3           1395x(nn)(1)), as amended by section 101(a)(1) of  
4           the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Im-  
5           provement and Protection Act of 2000 (as enacted  
6           into law by section 1(a)(6) of Public Law 106–554),  
7           is amended by striking “, if the individual involved”  
8           and all that follows before the period and inserting  
9           “if the woman involved has not had such a test dur-  
10          ing the preceding year”.

11          (2) ANNUAL SCREENING PELVIC EXAM.—Sec-  
12          tion 1861(nn)(2) of the Social Security Act (42  
13          U.S.C. 1395x(nn)(2)), as amended by section  
14          101(a)(2) of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP  
15          Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000  
16          (as enacted into law by section 1(a)(6) of Public  
17          Law 106–554), is amended by striking “during the  
18          preceding 2 years, or during the preceding year in  
19          the case of a woman described in paragraph (3),”  
20          and inserting “during the preceding year,”.

21          (3) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section  
22          1861(nn) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
23          1395x(nn)) is amended by striking paragraph (3).

1           (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
2 subsection (a) apply to items and services furnished on  
3 or after January 1, 2002.

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