

URGENT Action Needed from Alabama RTs

Dear Alabama R.T.:

My name is Bettye Wilson, also an Alabama R.T, serving on the ASRT Committee on R.T. Advocacy. I am writing to keep you informed on the progress of the Consistency, Accuracy, Responsibility and Excellence in Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy bill. The CARE bill will set education and certification standards for personnel who perform medical imaging and radiation therapy exams. It is introduced in the House of Representatives as H.R. 3652 and in the Senate as S. 3737.

Radiation safety is a big topic on Capitol Hill and the CARE bill is a driving force. However, to move our bill quickly it needs to go through Congress without any amendments. The CARE bill is a great step towards ensuring patients receive safe, high quality and appropriate radiologic healthcare.

With only a short time left in this Congress we don't have time to wait. Please contact your representative and senators TODAY and tell them passage of the CARE bill is important to you. Let them know that its passage will set the example for other radiation safety measures to follow. I would like you to send your lawmakers an e-mail asking them to pass the CARE bill as a stand-alone bill....without any amendments.

You can contact your lawmakers by going to the ASRT "eAdvocacy for You" site at (<http://capwiz.com/asrt/home/>) and click on the Take Action button. Simply enter your zip code to generate who you need to contact. Then personalize the message already started for you. It will take about 10 minutes of your time; yet have a lasting impact. Please do it now.

With over 5000 R.Ts in Alabama, I know we can have a great impact on the success of this very important legislation. Let's make Alabama number one.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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