

In Congress Now

Tobacco regulation by the FDA:

FAMILY SMOKING PREVENTION AND TOBACCO CONTROL ACT

- H.R. 1108, offered by Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Calif.)
- Provides the Food and Drug Administration the authority to regulate tobacco products
- Reported out of the House Energy and Commerce Committee on April 4
- Companion measure: S. 625, offered by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.)
- Reported out of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee on Aug. 1, 2007

Food and Drug Administration reform:

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2007

- H.R. 3580, offered by Rep. John Dingell (D-Mich.)
- Reauthorization of drug and medical device user fees and strengthens the Food and Drug Administration to require drug labeling changes, post-marketing studies and public registries of clinical trial studies. The bill is an omnibus bill that also includes provisions for reporting requirements for food supply contamination events.
- Became Public Law No. 110-85 on Sept. 27, 2007

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION GLOBALIZATION ACT

- Draft, offered by Rep. John Dingell (D-Mich.)
- Enhances the capabilities of the Food and Drug Administration for monitoring food and drug safety. Provides for the certification of foreign and domestic food and drug facilities, inspections and mandatory recalls of tainted products
- Draft legislation offered on April 18
- Companion measure: Draft, offered by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.)