

# NCI Legislative Update

## National Cancer Advisory Board

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# Appropriations Status

## FY 2010 – Final Action

- NIH - \$31.0 Billion; NCI - \$ 5.1 Billion
- Omnibus bill signed Dec. 16 (PL 111-117)

## FY 2011

- President's Budget announced Feb. 1
- NIH - \$32.09 Billion; NCI - \$5.26 Billion
- HHS Secretary multiple hearings - March
- House NIH Budget hearing – late March
- Senate NIH -no info on hearing format/date

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# Legislation of Interest

- ✓ SBIR
  - Temporary Extension(s)
  - Set-aside of ARRA funds
  - Long-term Reauthorization
  
- ✓ Access to Cancer Clinical Trials Act

# SBIR Legislation

## Extension of SBIR Program

- A series of laws have been passed since 2006 to provide temporary extensions to the program.
- The most recent (HR 4508) extends the program through April 30, 2010

## Include SBIR set aside in ARRA

- **S 1832** - Small Business Access to Capital Act
  - Sen. Mary Landrieu introduced Oct. 21
  - Removes a provision from ARRA that exempts NIH from set aside for SBIR
  - Requires NIH to obligate \$150 M of ARRA to SBIR

# SBIR Legislation

## Reauthorization of SBIR Program

- ✓ **HR 2965** – Enhancing SBIR Act
  - ✓ **HR 2772** – SBIR & STTR Enhancement Act
  - ✓ **S 1233** – SBIR/STTR Reauthorization Act
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- Specific details of each bill beginning page 28
  - Many similar provisions
  - Set-aside increases vary slightly among bills
  - Not clear which bill has most support at this time

# Access to Cancer Clinical Trials

## Companion Bills

- **HR 716** – Rep. Israel (D-NY)
- **S 488** – Senator Brown (D-OH)
- Longstanding Congressional interest in issue
- Similar bills have been introduced in every Congress since 2001, but none passed.
- This year, it might have a chance -- language from this bill was incorporated into the Senate Health Care Reform Bill.



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# 111th Congress – 2<sup>nd</sup> Session

- Democrats regrouping
- Republicans strategizing

What will they work on in 2010?

- Appropriations? Yes
- Health Care Reform? Maybe
- Other Health-related Bills? Maybe



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