

Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act

Update
June 14, 2004

The Bad News



The Good News

- The session is not over....yet
- Members will be home over the summer



S. 1053 passed Senate (95-0)

- HR 1910 Slaughter bill introduced in House
- HR 3636 Stearns bill introduced in House
- ≤ S1053 held at desk



House Process

- HR 1910 sent to 2 Committees
 - Energy and Commerce
 - Education and Workforce

- HR 3636 sent to 1 Committee
 - Energy and Commerce



Strategies

Get 1053 to Committee or floor

Get 1910 through Committees so 1053 could be the compromise

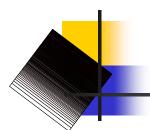
Get 3636 off the agenda



Meetings by Advocates

- Meeting with Chamber of Commerce
- Additional meetings with House staffers

- Continue meetings
- Work on leadership



Activities since March

- 1. Letter from distinguished scientists to leadership
- 2. Blast of emails to all members of the House
- 3. One pager of information from geneticists
- 4. Follow up contacts by constituents



Additional Strategies

- Personal discussions with Members
- Request personal contacts by constituents
- Encourage strategic contacts between Members and Leadership
- KEEP GINA ON THE AGENDA
- Renew commitment and encouragement