

## HR 3561

Healthcare Equality and Accountability Act

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jul 28, 2005

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**Latest Action:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H2320) (May 9, 2006)

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### Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** House

**Cosponsors** (114 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Jul 28, 2005
Del. Christensen, Donna M. [D-VI-At Large]	D · VI		Jul 28, 2005
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Rep. Hoyer, Steny H. [D-MD-5]	D · MD		Jul 28, 2005
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Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Jul 28, 2005
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Rep. Watt, Melvin L. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Jul 28, 2005
Rep. Abercrombie, Neil [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Brown, Corrine [D-FL-3]	D · FL		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Jul 29, 2005
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Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Fattah, Chaka [D-PA-2]	D · PA		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Ford, Harold E., Jr. [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Green, Al [D-TX-9]	D · TX		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Jul 29, 2005
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Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Jones, Stephanie Tubbs [D-OH-11]	D · OH		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Kilpatrick, Carolyn C. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jul 29, 2005
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Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-5]	D · CA		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Owens, Major R. [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Jul 29, 2005

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Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Jul 29, 2005
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-35]	D · CA		Jul 29, 2005
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Rep. Lantos, Tom [D-CA-12]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2005
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Rep. Baca, Joe [D-CA-43]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2005
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Rep. Cardoza, Dennis A. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Cuellar, Henry [D-TX-28]	D · TX		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Hinojosa, Ruben [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Salazar, John T. [D-CO-3]	D · CO		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-39]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Sanchez, Loretta [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Serrano, Jose E. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Sep 15, 2005
Rep. McCarthy, Carolyn [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Sep 20, 2005
Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Sep 20, 2005
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Sep 20, 2005
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Sep 22, 2005
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Sep 22, 2005
Rep. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		Sep 22, 2005
Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Sep 22, 2005
Rep. Berman, Howard L. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Sep 28, 2005
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Sep 28, 2005
Rep. Farr, Sam [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Sep 29, 2005
Rep. Carson, Julia [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Oct 6, 2005
Rep. Green, Gene [D-TX-29]	D · TX		Oct 6, 2005
Rep. Watson, Diane E. [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Oct 7, 2005
Rep. Clay, Wm. Lacy [D-MO-1]	D · MO		Oct 17, 2005

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Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Oct 17, 2005
Rep. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Oct 17, 2005
Rep. Berkley, Shelley [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Oct 18, 2005
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-25]	D · TX		Oct 18, 2005
Del. Faleomavaega, Eni F. H. [D-AS-At Large]	D · AS		Oct 19, 2005
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Oct 19, 2005
Rep. Filner, Bob [D-CA-51]	D · CA		Oct 19, 2005
Rep. Herseth, Stephanie [D-SD-At Large]	D · SD		Oct 19, 2005
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Oct 19, 2005
Rep. Millender-McDonald, Juanita [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Oct 19, 2005
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Oct 20, 2005
Rep. Meek, Kendrick B. [D-FL-17]	D · FL		Oct 20, 2005
Rep. McNulty, Michael R. [D-NY-21]	D · NY		Oct 24, 2005
Rep. McIntyre, Mike [D-NC-7]	D · NC		Nov 1, 2005
Rep. Wexler, Robert [D-FL-19]	D · FL		Nov 1, 2005
Rep. Barrow, John [D-GA-12]	D · GA		Nov 2, 2005
Rep. Woolsey, Lynn C. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Nov 2, 2005
Rep. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Nov 7, 2005
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-27]	D · NY		Nov 7, 2005
Rep. Capuano, Michael E. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Nov 10, 2005
Rep. Udall, Tom [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Nov 10, 2005
Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Dec 6, 2005
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-8]	D · NY		Dec 6, 2005
Rep. Allen, Thomas H. [D-ME-1]	D · ME		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Kennedy, Patrick J. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Rahall, Nick J., II [D-WV-3]	D · WV		Dec 14, 2005
Rep. Kucinich, Dennis J. [D-OH-10]	D · OH		Dec 16, 2005
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Dec 16, 2005
Rep. Weiner, Anthony D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Dec 16, 2005
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Sep 20, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 12, 2005
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 12, 2005
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 12, 2005
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Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 12, 2005
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 19, 2005
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 28, 2005
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 28, 2005
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 5, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1580	Related bill	<b>Feb 10, 2006:</b> Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1070)

Healthcare Equality and Accountability Act - FamilyCare Act of 2005 - Renames title XXI (State Children's Health Insurance Program) (SCHIP) of the Social Security Act as the FamilyCare Program and extends coverage to certain low-income adults.

Establishes the National Commission for Expanded Access to Health Care.

Amends the Public Health Service Act to provide limited English proficient individuals with improved access to health care, including by establishing the Robert T. Matsui Center for Cultural and Linguistic Competence in Healthcare.

Provides for activities regarding: (1) health workforce diversity; (2) disparities in health and health care experienced by racial and ethnic minorities; and (3) data collection, analysis, and reporting by race, ethnicity, and primary language.

Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish: (1) the Office of Health Disparities within the Office of Civil Rights to prevent discrimination in federal programs; and (2) the Office of Minority Affairs within the Office of the Commissioner of Food and Drugs.

Restablishes the Indian Health Service as an agency of the Public Health Service to be administered by an Assistant Secretary of Indian Health.

Minority Health and Genomics Act of 2005 - Establishes the Minority Health and Genomics Commission to study issues relating to genomics research as applied to minority groups.

Establishes the Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice and the Federal Environmental Justice Advisory Committee.

Sets forth programs designed to improve the quality of and access to health care for minorities, including by establishing the Health Safety Net Infrastructure Trust Fund.

Requires the Secretary to establish: (1) the Annie Dodge Wauneka and Susan Laflesche-Picotte Native American Health and Wellness Foundation; and (2) a Joint Working Group on Telehealth.

Authorizes integrative eldercare, American Indian and Alaska Native, and oral health telehealth demonstration projects.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 9, 2006:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H2320)
- **Oct 12, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **Oct 12, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- **Oct 12, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness.
- **Oct 12, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
- **Sep 19, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 12, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- **Aug 5, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 28, 2005:** Introduced in House
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- **Jul 28, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Resources, the Judiciary, Ways and Means, and Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- **Jul 28, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Resources, the Judiciary, Ways and Means, and Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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