

## HR 2557

To provide for the establishment of the Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee.

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jul 15, 2011)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 15, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jul 15, 2011)

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Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish the Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee to advise the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary for Health regarding the manner in which they can: (1) ensure interagency coordination and communication and minimize overlap regarding efforts to address tick-borne diseases; (2) identify opportunities to coordinate efforts with other federal agencies and private organizations addressing such diseases; (3) ensure interagency coordination and communication with constituency groups; (4) ensure that a broad spectrum of scientific viewpoints is represented in public health policy decisions and that information disseminated to the public and physicians is balanced; and (5) advise relevant federal agencies on priorities related to Lyme and tick-borne diseases.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Jul 15, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 15, 2011:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- **Jul 15, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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