

HR 3586

Good Samaritan Health Professionals Act of 2011

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. (Dec 14, 2011)

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Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Sep 11, 2012
Rep. Hultgren, Randy [R-IL-14]	R · IL		Sep 20, 2012

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 9, 2011
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 14, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 6389	Related bill	Sep 19, 2012: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
112 S 3473	Related bill	Aug 1, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Dec 7, 2011)

Good Samaritan Health Professionals Act of 2011 - Amends the Public Health Service Act to provide that a health care professional shall not be liable under federal or state law for harm caused by any act or omission if: (1) the professional is serving as a volunteer for purposes of responding to a disaster; and (2) the act or omission occurs during the period of the disaster, in the professional's capacity as such a volunteer, and in a good faith belief that the individual being treated is in need of health care services.

Makes exceptions where: (1) the harm was caused by an act or omission constituting willful or criminal misconduct, gross negligence, reckless misconduct, or a conscious flagrant indifference to the rights or safety of the individual harmed; or (2) the professional rendered the health care services under the influence of intoxicating alcohol or an intoxicating drug.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 14, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
- **Dec 9, 2011:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 7, 2011:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 7, 2011:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.