

## HR 4122

### Older Americans Act Reauthorization Act of 2014

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Rep. Delaney, John K. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 6, 2014
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Rep. Conyers, John, Jr. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Jun 2, 2014
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Jun 9, 2014
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Jul 8, 2014
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Sep 16, 2014
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Sep 16, 2014
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		Sep 16, 2014
Rep. Huffman, Jared [D-CA-2]	D · CA		Nov 14, 2014
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Nov 14, 2014
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Nov 14, 2014
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Dec 3, 2014

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 13, 2014

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 3850	Related bill	Jun 13, 2014: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.
113 S 1562	Related bill	Jan 6, 2014: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 290.
113 S 1028	Related bill	Jun 19, 2013: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Senate Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 113-791.

Older Americans Act Reauthorization Act of 2014 - Reauthorizes the Older Americans Act of 1965 (OAA) and funding for its programs for FY2014-FY2018.

Makes it an objective of such Act the acquiring for older individuals of high-quality services in a manner that is culturally and linguistically responsive to such individuals and family caregivers.

Includes older lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered (LGBT) individuals within the purview of such Act and specifically among certain reporting requirements.

Requires the Director of the Office of Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs (in the Administration on Aging [AOA] of the Department of Health and Human Services [HHS]) to collect, analyze, and report on best practices related to elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation in long-term care facilities.

Requires the Assistant Secretary for Aging of the AOA to: (1) focus on the health and economic needs and welfare of older individuals; (2) conduct studies and collect data to determine the services that are needed by LGBT older individuals; (3) ensure that authorized programs include appropriate training in the prevention of abuse, neglect, and exploitation and provision of services that address elder justice and the exploitation of older individuals; and (4) establish and operate a National Resource Center for Women and Retirement, a National Adult Protective Services Resource Center, and a National Resource Center on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgendered Aging.

Establishes an Advisory Committee to Assess, Coordinate, and Improve Legal Assistance Activities to study the legal services activities assistance system for older individuals.

Reauthorizes appropriations for FY2014-FY2018, and revises requirements for, the AOA, the Eldercare Locator Service, pension counseling and information programs, supportive services, congregate nutrition services, disease prevention and health promotion services, family caregiver support, the nutrition services incentive program, the Community Service Senior Opportunity Act, grants for Native Americans.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to award a grant to or enter into a cooperative agreement with a public or private nonprofit entity to establish a National Resource Center on Family Caregiving.

Directs the Assistant Secretary to award grants and enter into contracts with eligible entities to carry out projects to: (1) support and promote modern multipurpose senior center models; (2) build an evidence base of modern, replicable practices that allow senior centers to serve a diverse array of older individuals, as well as their families and other caregivers; and (3) mobilize services and leverage resources to support the role of multipurpose senior centers as community focal points, and for the establishment, construction, maintenance, and operation of centers.

Directs the Assistant Secretary to make a grant on a competitive basis to enable an eligible nonprofit organization to provide training and technical assistance to grant recipients.

Revises requirements for the national family caregiver support program and the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman program, revising conflict-of-interest requirements and prohibitions for the latter.

Requires health programs for older individuals to cover behavioral health.

Directs the Comptroller General to study the transportation services for older individuals.

Directs the Assistant Secretary to issue guidance to applicable to states, area agencies on aging, and providers of services for older individuals, with respect to serving Holocaust survivors.

### **Actions Timeline**

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