

## S 2745

Advancing NIH Strategic Planning and Representation in Medical Research Act

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### Committee Activity

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Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Apr 18, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 34	Related bill	<b>Dec 13, 2016:</b> Became Public Law No: 114-255.
114 HR 6224	Related bill	<b>Sep 28, 2016:</b> Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

## Advancing NIH Strategic Planning and Representation in Medical Research Act

(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Public Health Service Act to require the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to publish a strategic plan that addresses research, training, the biomedical workforce, and collaboration with other agencies. Common Fund strategic planning is included in this strategic plan.

(Sec. 3) In assessing research priorities, the NIH must publish data on certain clinical research study populations. The NIH must foster collaboration among clinical research projects that use human subjects and that collect similar data to increase the number and diversity of subjects.

(Sec. 4) The strategic plans of the national research institutes must ensure that future activities take into account women and minorities and are focused on reducing health disparities. Advisory council reports must include certain demographic data for clinical research subjects. The results of NIH-funded clinical trials that include women and minorities must be submitted to NIH's clinical trial data bank.

(Sec. 5) The NIH must encourage efforts to improve research related to the health of sexual and gender minority populations, including by facilitating participation by such populations and addressing methodological challenges. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), in collaboration with the NIH, must continue to support development of measures related to reporting health information about sexual and gender minority populations and must publish such measures.

(Sec. 6) The National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities may foster partnerships among the national research institutes and encourage the funding of collaborative research projects to achieve NIH goals related to minority health and health disparities.

(Sec. 7) The NIH must convene a working group to make recommendations to enhance the rigor and reproducibility of NIH-funded research.

(Sec. 8) HHS must establish the Task Force on Research Specific to Pregnant Women and Lactating Women to report on issues including development of safe and effective therapies for such women.

(Sec. 9) The NIH must develop policies for NIH-funded basic research projects to assess how differences between male and female cells, tissues, or animals may be examined and analyzed.

### Actions Timeline

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- **Apr 18, 2016:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Alexander with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Apr 18, 2016:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 430.
- **Apr 6, 2016:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Apr 5, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 5, 2016:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.