

## HR 4843

### Infant Plan of Safe Care Improvement Act

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Families

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors (24 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Mar 23, 2016
Rep. Kline, John [R-MN-2]	R · MN		Mar 23, 2016
Rep. Polis, Jared [D-CO-2]	D · CO		Mar 23, 2016
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Mar 23, 2016
Rep. Walberg, Tim [R-MI-7]	R · MI		Mar 23, 2016
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Apr 12, 2016
Rep. Cummings, Elijah E. [D-MD-7]	D · MD		Apr 19, 2016
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Apr 19, 2016
Rep. Rokita, Todd [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Apr 19, 2016
Rep. Bucshon, Larry [R-IN-8]	R · IN		Apr 20, 2016
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 20, 2016
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]	R · PA		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Messer, Luke [R-IN-6]	R · IN		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Renacci, James B. [R-OH-16]	R · OH		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Apr 27, 2016
Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Apr 28, 2016
Rep. Foxx, Virginia [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Apr 28, 2016
Rep. Rothfus, Keith J. [R-PA-12]	R · PA		May 3, 2016
Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2]	R · KY		May 10, 2016
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-10]	R · OH		May 10, 2016
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		May 10, 2016

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 19, 2016
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 12, 2016

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Families

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 524	Related bill	Jul 22, 2016: Became Public Law No: 114-198.
114 HR 5189	Related bill	Jun 7, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

## Summary (as of May 11, 2016)

### Infant Plan of Safe Care Improvement Act

(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to require the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the national clearinghouse for information relating to child abuse, to maintain and disseminate information about the requirements and best practices relating to the development of plans of safe care for infants born affected by illegal substance abuse, withdrawal symptoms, or a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder.

(Sec. 3) A state plan submitted to HHS for a grant to improve its child protective services system must certify that it has a state law or statewide program relating to child abuse and neglect that includes a plan of safe care for such an infant to ensure its safety and well-being following release from the care of healthcare providers.

The state plan of safe care shall: (1) address the health and substance use disorder treatment needs of the infant and affected family or caregiver; and (2) specify the development and implementation by the state of monitoring systems regarding the implementation of such plans to determine whether and in what manner local entities are providing, in accordance with state requirements, referrals to and delivery of appropriate services for the infant and affected family or caregiver.

(Sec. 4) Annual state data reports shall include the total number of such infants for whom a plan of safe care was developed, and for whom referrals are made for appropriate services, including services for the affected family or caregiver.

(Sec. 5) HHS shall monitor the compliance of each grant-receiving state with applicable current law requirements, including required state policies and procedures regarding care of such infants.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 19, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.
- **May 12, 2016:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **May 11, 2016:** Mr. Barletta moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **May 11, 2016:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H2248-2253)
- **May 11, 2016:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 4843.
- **May 11, 2016:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **May 11, 2016:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H2253-2254)
- **May 11, 2016:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 421 - 0 (Roll no. 185).(text: CR H2248)
- **May 11, 2016:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 421 - 0 (Roll no. 185). (text: CR H2248)
- **May 11, 2016:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **May 10, 2016:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Education and the Workforce. H. Rept. 114-548.
- **May 10, 2016:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 423.
- **Apr 28, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 28, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 23, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 23, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.