

HR 1415

End Neglected Tropical Diseases Act

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Sponsor

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Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		May 4, 2017
Rep. Donovan, Daniel M., Jr. [R-NY-11]	R · NY		Jun 8, 2017
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Jun 13, 2017
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Rep. Frankel, Lois [D-FL-21]	D · FL		Nov 15, 2017
Rep. Sherman, Brad [D-CA-30]	D · CA		Nov 15, 2017
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Mar 8, 2018
Rep. Comstock, Barbara [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Jul 24, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 17, 2017
Financial Services Committee	House	Referred To	Mar 7, 2017
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Nov 15, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3212	Related bill	Jul 12, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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This bill expands programs to address neglected tropical diseases (NTDs), which are infections caused by pathogens, including viruses, microbes, and helminths (parasitic worms), that disproportionately impact individuals living in extreme poverty, especially in developing countries.

The NTDs Program of the U.S. Agency for International Development must incorporate specified priorities, including: (1) conducting monitoring and evaluation of program investments, (2) including morbidity management in treatment plans, (3) addressing additional NTDs recognized as high-burden diseases, and (4) continuing investments in research and development.

The President must direct the U.S. Executive Director at the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to urge the World Bank Institute to take actions on NTDs, including deworming programs.

The Department of Health and Human Services must: (1) continue to promote the need for NTDs programs and activities through interagency groups and international forums; (2) report to Congress on NTDs in the United States; and (3) establish a panel to evaluate issues relating to worm infections, including potential solutions such as deworming medicines.

The bill authorizes the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to enter into agreements and make grants to support one or more centers of excellence for NTD research, training, and treatment.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 15, 2017:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Nov 15, 2017:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 17, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 7, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 7, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, and Financial Services, 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.