

## HR 1953

Treat and Reduce Obesity Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Apr 5, 2017

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 17, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/1953>

### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Paulsen, Erik [R-MN-3]

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

**Cosponsors** (163 total)

<b>Cosponsor</b>	<b>Party / State</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Date Joined</b>
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Bonamici, Suzanne [D-OR-1]	D · OR		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Brooks, Susan W. [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-2]	R · KY		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Jenkins, Lynn [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Lewis, John [D-GA-5]	D · GA		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Lieu, Ted [D-CA-33]	D · CA		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Lujan, Ben Ray [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. McGovern, James P. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Roskam, Peter J. [R-IL-6]	R · IL		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Shimkus, John [R-IL-15]	R · IL		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Tipton, Scott R. [R-CO-3]	R · CO		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Apr 5, 2017
Rep. Comstock, Barbara [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Hartzler, Vicky [R-MO-4]	R · MO		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Loebsack, David [D-IA-2]	D · IA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]	R · PA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Price, David E. [D-NC-4]	D · NC		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Swalwell, Eric [D-CA-15]	D · CA		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Walz, Timothy J. [D-MN-1]	D · MN		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		Apr 25, 2017
Rep. Faso, John J. [R-NY-19]	R · NY		Apr 26, 2017

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Rep. Wittman, Robert J. [R-VA-1]	R · VA		Apr 26, 2017
Rep. Shea-Porter, Carol [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Apr 27, 2017
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		May 1, 2017
Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		May 2, 2017
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		May 2, 2017
Rep. DeLauro, Rosa L. [D-CT-3]	D · CT		May 3, 2017
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		May 3, 2017
Rep. Jenkins, Evan H. [R-WV-3]	R · WV		May 4, 2017
Rep. Murphy, Tim [R-PA-18]	R · PA		May 4, 2017
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		May 16, 2017
Rep. Beyer, Donald S., Jr. [D-VA-8]	D · VA		May 16, 2017
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		May 16, 2017
Rep. Delaney, John K. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 16, 2017
Rep. Flores, Bill [R-TX-17]	R · TX		May 16, 2017
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		May 16, 2017
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		May 16, 2017
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		May 16, 2017
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		May 16, 2017
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		May 16, 2017
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		May 16, 2017
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		May 16, 2017
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		May 16, 2017
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		May 16, 2017
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		May 16, 2017
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		May 17, 2017
Rep. Barletta, Lou [R-PA-11]	R · PA		May 18, 2017
Rep. Zeldin, Lee M. [R-NY-1]	R · NY		May 18, 2017
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		May 19, 2017
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-13]	D · PA		May 22, 2017
Rep. Farenthold, Blake [R-TX-27]	R · TX		May 22, 2017
Rep. Fudge, Marcia L. [D-OH-11]	D · OH		May 22, 2017
Rep. Richmond, Cedric L. [D-LA-2]	D · LA		May 22, 2017
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		May 25, 2017
Rep. Kelly, Mike [R-PA-3]	R · PA		May 25, 2017
Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22]	R · TX		May 25, 2017
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Hensarling, Jeb [R-TX-5]	R · TX		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Jun 6, 2017
Rep. Brown, Anthony G. [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Jun 8, 2017
Rep. Griffith, H. Morgan [R-VA-9]	R · VA		Jun 8, 2017

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Rep. Kinzinger, Adam [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Jun 8, 2017
Rep. Suozzi, Thomas R. [D-NY-3]	D · NY		Jun 12, 2017
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Jun 20, 2017
Rep. Johnson, Sam [R-TX-3]	R · TX		Jun 22, 2017
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jun 22, 2017
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Jun 26, 2017
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Jun 27, 2017
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Jun 27, 2017
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Jul 11, 2017
Rep. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Jul 17, 2017
Rep. Norcross, Donald [D-NJ-1]	D · NJ		Jul 28, 2017
Rep. Coffman, Mike [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Sep 5, 2017
Rep. Smith, Jason [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Sep 5, 2017
Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		Sep 8, 2017
Rep. DesJarlais, Scott [R-TN-4]	R · TN		Sep 27, 2017
Rep. LoBiondo, Frank A. [R-NJ-2]	R · NJ		Sep 27, 2017
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Holding, George [R-NC-2]	R · NC		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. King, Peter T. [R-NY-2]	R · NY		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-10]	R · OH		Sep 28, 2017
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Oct 2, 2017
Rep. Kildee, Daniel T. [D-MI-5]	D · MI		Oct 3, 2017
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Oct 4, 2017
Rep. Brownley, Julia [D-CA-26]	D · CA		Oct 4, 2017
Rep. Conaway, K. Michael [R-TX-11]	R · TX		Oct 4, 2017
Rep. Bishop, Mike [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Oct 5, 2017
Rep. Rouzer, David [R-NC-7]	R · NC		Oct 5, 2017
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Oct 11, 2017
Rep. Esty, Elizabeth H. [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Oct 12, 2017
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Oct 23, 2017
Rep. Cicilline, David N. [D-RI-1]	D · RI		Oct 23, 2017
Rep. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		Oct 25, 2017
Rep. Rutherford, John H. [R-FL-4]	R · FL		Oct 26, 2017
Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]	D · CA		Oct 31, 2017
Rep. Butterfield, G. K. [D-NC-1]	D · NC		Nov 2, 2017
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Nov 3, 2017
Rep. Vela, Filemon [D-TX-34]	D · TX		Nov 6, 2017

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Rep. Costello, Ryan A. [R-PA-6]	R · PA		Nov 7, 2017
Rep. Crowley, Joseph [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Nov 14, 2017
Rep. Hudson, Richard [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Nov 15, 2017
Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		Nov 28, 2017
Rep. Lynch, Stephen F. [D-MA-8]	D · MA		Nov 28, 2017
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Nov 30, 2017
Rep. Long, Billy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Dec 5, 2017
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Jan 5, 2018
Rep. Curbelo, Carlos [R-FL-26]	R · FL		Jan 18, 2018
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Jan 25, 2018
Rep. Amodei, Mark E. [R-NV-2]	R · NV		Feb 26, 2018
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Feb 27, 2018
Rep. Westerman, Bruce [R-AR-4]	R · AR		Mar 13, 2018
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		Mar 14, 2018
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Apr 9, 2018
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Apr 9, 2018
Rep. Keating, William R. [D-MA-9]	D · MA		Apr 9, 2018
Rep. Hurd, Will [R-TX-23]	R · TX		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Brooks, Mo [R-AL-5]	R · AL		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Collins, Chris [R-NY-27]	R · NY		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-8]	R · PA		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Quigley, Mike [D-IL-5]	D · IL		Jun 5, 2018
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jun 20, 2018
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		Jun 20, 2018
Rep. Lance, Leonard [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Jun 20, 2018
Rep. Murphy, Stephanie N. [D-FL-7]	D · FL		Jun 20, 2018
Rep. Carbajal, Salud O. [D-CA-24]	D · CA		Jun 22, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jun 26, 2018
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Jul 10, 2018
Rep. Peterson, Collin C. [D-MN-7]	D · MN		Jul 24, 2018
Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Aug 14, 2018
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Sep 5, 2018
Rep. Titus, Dina [D-NV-1]	D · NV		Sep 5, 2018
Rep. Lawson, Al, Jr. [D-FL-5]	D · FL		Oct 23, 2018
Rep. Mast, Brian J. [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Oct 23, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 7, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 17, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 830	Related bill	<b>Apr 5, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Summary (as of Apr 5, 2017)

### Treat and Reduce Obesity Act of 2017

This bill allows coverage, under Medicare, of intensive behavioral therapy for obesity furnished by providers other than primary care physicians and practitioners.

Additionally, it allows coverage under Medicare's prescription drug benefit of drugs used for the treatment of obesity or for weight loss management for individuals who are overweight.

### Actions Timeline

- **Apr 17, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 7, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 5, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 5, 2017:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.