

## HR 2556

### CONNECT for Health Act of 2017

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 19, 2017

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jun 1, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/2556>

## Sponsor

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

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Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		May 19, 2017
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		May 19, 2017
Rep. Thompson, Mike [D-CA-5]	D · CA		May 19, 2017
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		May 19, 2017
Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]	R · PA		May 23, 2017
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Rep. Loebsack, David [D-IA-2]	D · IA		Sep 21, 2017
Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		Sep 26, 2017
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Rep. Esty, Elizabeth H. [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Nov 14, 2017
Rep. Blum, Rod [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Nov 28, 2017
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Rep. Hunter, Duncan D. [R-CA-50]	R · CA		Mar 19, 2018
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Apr 9, 2018
Rep. Valadao, David G. [R-CA-21]	R · CA		Apr 11, 2018
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		Apr 12, 2018
Rep. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV-3]	D · NV		Apr 16, 2018
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Apr 24, 2018
Rep. Jenkins, Lynn [R-KS-2]	R · KS		May 7, 2018
Rep. Khanna, Ro [D-CA-17]	D · CA		May 7, 2018
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		May 7, 2018
Rep. Emmer, Tom [R-MN-6]	R · MN		May 8, 2018
Rep. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND-At Large]	R · ND		May 9, 2018
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		May 23, 2018
Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]	R · MS		May 25, 2018
Rep. Gianforte, Greg [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Jun 7, 2018
Rep. Olson, Pete [R-TX-22]	R · TX		Jun 8, 2018
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-7]	D · NY		Jul 11, 2018
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Jul 27, 2018

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Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Aug 3, 2018
Rep. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Sep 6, 2018
Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		Sep 17, 2018
Rep. Poliquin, Bruce [R-ME-2]	R · ME		Sep 25, 2018
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		Sep 26, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Oct 5, 2018
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Oct 5, 2018
Rep. Panetta, Jimmy [D-CA-20]	D · CA		Oct 23, 2018

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 26, 2017
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 1, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 3482	Related bill	Jul 28, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
115 S 1016	Identical bill	May 3, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
115 S 431	Related bill	Feb 16, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## Summary (as of May 19, 2017)

### Creating Opportunities Now for Necessary and Effective Care Technologies (CONNECT) for Health Act of 2017 or the CONNECT for Health Act of 2017

This bill makes a series of changes to expand coverage of telehealth services under Medicare, including by exempting certain telehealth services (e.g., specified renal dialysis and stroke evaluation services) from originating site requirements.

## Actions Timeline

- **Jun 1, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 26, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 19, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **May 19, 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.