

## HR 315

### Improving Access to Maternity Care Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Law:** 115-320 (Enacted Dec 17, 2018)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Burgess, Michael C. [R-TX-26]

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

### Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Eshoo, Anna G. [D-CA-18]	D · CA		Jan 5, 2017
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		Jan 5, 2017
Del. Radewagen, Aumua Amata Coleman [R-AS-At Large]	R · AS		Jan 9, 2017
Rep. DeFazio, Peter A. [D-OR-4]	D · OR		Jan 9, 2017
Rep. Herrera Beutler, Jaime [R-WA-3]	R · WA		Jan 9, 2017
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Jan 9, 2017
Rep. Roe, David P. [R-TN-1]	R · TN		Jan 9, 2017
Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Jan 9, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 5, 2017
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Reported By	Nov 29, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 783	Identical bill	Mar 30, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to identify maternity care health professional target areas, which are areas within health professional shortage areas that have a shortage of maternity care health professionals, for purposes of assigning maternity care health professionals to those areas.

HRSA must collect and publish data comparing the availability of and need for maternity care health services in health professional shortage areas and areas within those areas.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 17, 2018:** Signed by President.
- **Dec 17, 2018:** Became Public Law No: 115-320.
- **Dec 11, 2018:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 10, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 6, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S7372)
- **Dec 6, 2018:** Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S7372)
- **Nov 29, 2018:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Nov 29, 2018:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. Reported by Senator Alexander without amendment. Without written report.
- **Nov 29, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 696.
- **Jan 10, 2017:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Jan 9, 2017:** Mr. Burgess moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Jan 9, 2017:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H203-204)
- **Jan 9, 2017:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 315.
- **Jan 9, 2017:** 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.
- **Jan 9, 2017:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H217-218)
- **Jan 9, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 405 - 0 (Roll no. 24).(text: CR H203)
- **Jan 9, 2017:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 405 - 0 (Roll no. 24). (text: CR H203)
- **Jan 9, 2017:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jan 5, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 5, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.