

HR 3559

Youth Access to Sexual Health Services Act of 2017

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Rep. Schakowsky, Janice D. [D-IL-9]	D · IL		Nov 17, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 4, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3660	Related bill	Nov 27, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
115 HR 5942	Related bill	Oct 19, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.
115 S 1650	Related bill	Jul 27, 2017: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Jul 28, 2017)

Youth Access to Sexual Health Services Act of 2017

This bill authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services to award grants to support the access of marginalized youth to sexual health services such as sexual health education and contraception. Marginalized youth are disadvantaged individuals under the age of 26. Grants may be awarded to state or local health or education agencies, public schools, nonprofit organizations, hospitals, Indian tribes, and tribal organizations.

Grants may be used to: (1) provide sexual health information to marginalized youth, (2) promote effective communication regarding sexual health among marginalized youth, (3) promote and support opportunities for school-age parents, and (3) train individuals who work with marginalized youth to promote sexual health and the development of safe and supportive environments.

Grants may not be used to provide access to health services that: (1) are medically unsound; (2) withhold sexual health-promoting or lifesaving information; (3) promote gender stereotypes; or (4) are insensitive or unresponsive to the needs of young people, including youth with varying gender identities and sexual orientations, sexually active youth, pregnant or parenting youth, and survivors of sexual abuse or assault.

Unobligated funds for abstinence education are transferred and made available for these grants.

Actions Timeline

- **Aug 4, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 28, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 28, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.