

HR 4955

Opioid Overdose Reduction Act of 2018

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 6, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 2981	Related bill	May 24, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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This bill limits an individual's civil liability for harm caused by the emergency administration of an opioid overdose reversal drug (e.g., naloxone) if the individual is one of the following:

- a licensed health care professional who prescribes or provides the drug to an individual who was educated on its administration;
- an employee or volunteer at an opioid overdose program who provides the drug, as part of such program, to an authorized recipient who administers it; or
- an individual who administers the drug after obtaining it from a health care professional or as part of an opioid overdose program, or administers it pursuant to a prescription, and was educated on its administration.

This bill preempts an inconsistent state law that provides less protection from civil liability related to the administration of opioid overdose reversal drugs.

Actions Timeline

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