

## HR 5711

### Improving Access to Mental Health Services Act

**Congress:** 115 (2017–2019, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** May 8, 2018

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (May 11, 2018)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/5711>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]

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

### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Griffith, H. Morgan [R-VA-9]	R · VA		May 8, 2018
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		May 23, 2018
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Jun 28, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 11, 2018

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 2680	Related bill	May 7, 2018: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 398.
115 S 2533	Identical bill	Mar 12, 2018: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

### Summary (as of May 8, 2018)

### Improving Access to Mental Health Services Act

This bill amends the Public Health Service Act to allow National Health Service Corps (NHSC) personnel who are assigned to provide health services in a health professional shortage area to provide services as behavioral and mental health professionals at schools or other community-based settings and at the homes of patients. Services provided pursuant to this bill may count toward completion of obligated service requirements under the NHSC scholarship or loan repayment programs.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 11, 2018:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 8, 2018:** Introduced in House
- **May 8, 2018:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.