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Immediate Coverage for Former Foster Youth Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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116 HR 6959	Related bill	May 22, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
116 HR 3057	Identical bill	Jun 4, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

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This bill accelerates the application of certain changes that are scheduled to take effect under the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment (SUPPORT) for Patients and Communities Act relating to the coverage of former foster youth under Medicaid.

Under current law, a state Medicaid program must cover former foster youth until the age of 26 if the youth were in the state's foster care system at the age of 18 and were enrolled in the state's Medicaid program while in foster care; a state may choose to also cover former foster youth from other states. The SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act altered these provisions to require a state Medicaid program to cover former foster youth from other states until the age of 26; such changes apply to former foster youth who reach the age of 18 on or after January 1, 2023.

The bill instead applies these changes to former foster youth who reach the age of 18 on or after the date of enactment of this bill.

Actions Timeline

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