

## S 2358

WIC Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

**Introduced:** Jul 31, 2019

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. (Jul 31, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/2358>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Jul 31, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 31, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6811	Related bill	May 12, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

## **Wise Investment in Children Act of 2019 or the WIC Act of 2019**

This bill expands eligibility for children to receive benefits under the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).

Specifically, the bill

- allows states to extend eligibility for the program until the period that ends on the earlier of the sixth birthday of a child or when the child enters kindergarten;
- extends the certification period under the program for infants to two years, instead of the current one year; and
- authorizes states to increase the certification time under the program for breastfeeding and non-breastfeeding women to two years postpartum.

## **Actions Timeline**

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