

## HR 2401

### American Cures Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Apr 30, 2019

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (May 6, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/2401>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Apr 30, 2019
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Jun 18, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Armed Services Committee	House	Referred to	May 1, 2019
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 30, 2019
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 1, 2019
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	May 6, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1250	Identical bill	Apr 30, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget. (text: CR S2521-2522)

## American Cures Act

This bill requires certain adjustments to discretionary spending limits over FY2020-FY2024 to accommodate increases in appropriations for agencies that perform biomedical research. Adjustments are required for the National Institutes of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Department of Defense health program, and the Department of Veterans Affairs medical and prosthetics research program.

The bill also requires annual appropriations in FY2020-FY2024 for each of the programs and agencies referenced in this bill to be at least the amount appropriated for FY2019.

The bill exempts appropriations provided pursuant to this bill from sequestration. Sequestration is a process of automatic, usually across-the-board spending reductions under which budgetary resources are permanently cancelled to enforce specific budget policy goals.

## Actions Timeline

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*No actions are recorded for this bill.*