

HRES 242

Affirming the importance of the Orphan Drug Act, celebrating the over 750 new orphan therapies approved since its creation, and recognizing the need to continue supporting research and development for rare diseases.

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Mar 19, 2019)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 19, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Mar 18, 2019)

This resolution applauds the growth in research and development into new therapies for rare diseases and recognizes that significant research and development efforts and related investments are needed to develop therapies to treat and cure thousands of rare diseases for which no treatment options are currently available.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 19, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 18, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 18, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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