

HR 2519

Improving Mental Health Access from the Emergency Department Act of 2020

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: May 3, 2019

Current Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and

Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sep 30, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Ruiz, Raul [D-CA-36]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Rice, Kathleen M. [D-NY-4]	D · NY		Jun 14, 2019
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Sep 24, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 6, 2019
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 30, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 1334	Related bill	May 6, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Sep 29, 2020)

Improving Mental Health Access from the Emergency Department Act of 2020

This bill authorizes the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to award grants to qualifying emergency departments for the purpose of supporting mental-health services. Specifically, grant recipients must use funds to support the provision of follow-up services for individuals who present for care of acute mental-health episodes, such as placement in appropriate facilities.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 30, 2020:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 116-544.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 444.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Mr. Pallone moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5016-5017)
- **Sep 29, 2020:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2519.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5016)
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 9, 2020:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 9, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 30, 2020:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 6, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 3, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.