

S 286

Mental Health Access Improvement Act of 2019

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Jan 31, 2019

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jan 31, 2019)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/286>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]

Party: Republican • **State:** WY • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (31 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jan 31, 2019
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Feb 6, 2019
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Feb 14, 2019
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Feb 14, 2019
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Feb 25, 2019
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Feb 28, 2019
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Mar 7, 2019
Sen. Sinema, Kyrsten [D-AZ]	D · AZ		Mar 7, 2019
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Apr 4, 2019
Sen. Cramer, Kevin [R-ND]	R · ND		Apr 4, 2019
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		Apr 4, 2019
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 8, 2019
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		May 2, 2019
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		May 9, 2019
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		May 13, 2019
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		May 15, 2019
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Jun 4, 2019
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		Jun 10, 2019
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jun 20, 2019
Sen. Markey, Edward J. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 11, 2019
Sen. Rosen, Jacky [D-NV]	D · NV		Jul 11, 2019
Sen. Cortez Masto, Catherine [D-NV]	D · NV		Jul 18, 2019
Sen. Capito, Shelley Moore [R-WV]	R · WV		Jul 25, 2019
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Jul 25, 2019
Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Sep 16, 2019
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Sep 18, 2019
Sen. Sullivan, Dan [R-AK]	R · AK		Oct 15, 2019
Sen. McSally, Martha [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Oct 17, 2019
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Nov 20, 2019
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 2, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 31, 2019

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 945	Identical bill	Sep 9, 2020: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
116 HR 6637	Related bill	Jul 9, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.

Summary (as of Jan 31, 2019)

Mental Health Access Improvement Act of 2019

This bill provides for coverage of marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under Medicare. It also excludes such services from the skilled nursing facility prospective payment system, and authorizes marriage and family therapists and mental health counselors to develop discharge plans for post-hospital services.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 31, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 31, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.