

S 3424

Black Maternal Health Momnibus Act of 2020

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Harris, Kamala D. [D-CA]

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

Cosponsors (17 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI] | D · WI | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO] | D · CO | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT] | D · CT | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Duckworth, Tammy [D-IL] | D · IL | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY] | D · NY | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN] | D · MN | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ] | D · NJ | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR] | D · OR | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI] | D · MI | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT] | I · VT | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA] | D · MA | | Mar 10, 2020 |
| Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI] | D · MI | | Jul 21, 2020 |
| Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI] | D · RI | | Aug 3, 2020 |
| Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM] | D · NM | | Sep 9, 2020 |
| Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN] | D · MN | | Oct 5, 2020 |
| Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA] | D · PA | | Oct 21, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee | Senate | Referred To | Mar 10, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
|-------------|--------------|---|
| 116 HR 6141 | Related bill | Jul 23, 2020: Committee Hearings Held. |
| 116 HR 6142 | Related bill | Jul 13, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |
| 116 HR 6165 | Related bill | Mar 23, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States. |
| 116 HR 6132 | Related bill | Mar 10, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. |
| 116 HR 6164 | Related bill | Mar 10, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. |
| 116 HR 6129 | Related bill | Mar 9, 2020: Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. |
| 116 HR 6137 | Related bill | Mar 9, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. |
| 116 HR 6138 | Related bill | Mar 9, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. |
| 116 HR 6143 | Related bill | Mar 9, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. |
| 116 HR 6144 | Related bill | Mar 9, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. |
| 116 HR 5199 | Related bill | Nov 21, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |

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This bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and other agencies to address maternal health outcomes among minority populations. HHS must (1) establish task forces to address social determinants of health, maternal mental and behavioral health, and other topics; and (2) award grants for maternal mortality review committees, innovative maternity care models, and other purposes. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services must establish a perinatal payment demonstration project. The Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Department of Transportation must report on the impact of housing and transportation during prenatal and postpartum periods, respectively. The Department of Veterans Affairs must submit a plan for maternity care coordination for women veterans, and the Bureau of Prisons must establish programs and award grants to certain prisons and jails to improve maternal health outcomes among incarcerated individuals.

The Government Accountability Office must report on the perinatal health workforce, maternity care compliance offices, and maternal health outcomes among veterans and incarcerated individuals. The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine must report on specified topics, including training programs to reduce bias, racism, and discrimination. The Medicaid and CHIP Payment Access Commission must report on the impact of Medicaid ineligibility on pregnant and postpartum individuals who are incarcerated.

The bill also (1) expands eligibility for certain nutrition programs by increasing the postpartum and breastfeeding periods, and (2) reduces certain funding to states without laws restricting the use of restraints on pregnant women who are incarcerated.

Actions Timeline

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