

S 3853

Price Gouging Prevention Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Commerce

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Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. (Jun 1, 2020)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 1, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6450	Related bill	Apr 3, 2020: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Summary (as of Jun 1, 2020)

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This bill makes it unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale a consumer good during a public health emergency at an excessive or opportunistic price. Specifically, consumer goods include those deemed vital and necessary by public health officials for the health, safety, and welfare of consumers during an emergency or disaster (e.g., food, water, medications, and personal protective equipment). The price of these goods is presumptively excessive or oppressive during such an emergency or disaster if the sale price exceeds by more than 10% the average price of such good during the 120-day period preceding the emergency or disaster.

Actions Timeline

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