

## S 3999

### Mental and Behavioral Health Connectivity Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jun 18, 2020

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

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jun 18, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/3999>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]

**Party:** Independent • **State:** ME • **Chamber:** Senate

## Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Young, Todd [R-IN]	R · IN		Jun 18, 2020
Sen. Jones, Doug [D-AL]	D · AL		Jul 20, 2020
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Jul 23, 2020
Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN]	D · MN		Sep 24, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 18, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## Summary (as of Jun 18, 2020)

### Mental and Behavioral Health Connectivity Act

This bill modifies requirements relating to coverage of certain telehealth services under Medicare. Specifically, the bill excludes mental and behavioral health services from restrictions that (1) require the originating site (i.e., the location of the beneficiary) to be in certain rural areas and to be a specific type of facility, (2) allow only certain types of health care practitioners to furnish such services, and (3) require the use of video technology.

## **Actions Timeline**

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