

## HR 4322

### Expanding Cannabis Research and Information Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Sep 12, 2019

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security. (Oct 2, 2019)

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 12, 2019
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		Sep 27, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 13, 2019
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 2, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2400	Identical bill	<b>Jul 31, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text: CR S5253-5254)

## **Expanding Cannabis Research and Information Act**

This bill changes marijuana from a Schedule I to a Schedule III controlled substance, which allows it to be dispensed, subject to certain limitations, for accepted medical uses with a written or oral prescription.

The bill also requires the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to collaborate with specified agencies to develop a national cannabis research agenda that must address (1) the therapeutic benefits of cannabis, (2) how it effects specified populations, (3) its long-term effects, (4) clinically appropriate methods to deliver it to the body, and (5) other public safety considerations. Additionally, the bill directs NIH to designate centers of excellence in cannabis research at institutions of higher education to conduct interdisciplinary research about biomedical, behavioral, and social issues related to cannabis.

Further, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention must work with other agencies to collect population-wide data about cannabis use, including (1) demographic factors, (2) health outcomes, (3) health care utilization rates, (4) product variety, (5) delivery methods, and (6) other relevant health information.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 2, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Sep 13, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 12, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 12, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

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