

## S 4719

Helping Manufacturers Respond to COVID–19 Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Commerce

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**Latest Action:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 641. (Dec 15, 2020)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]

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

### Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Gardner, Cory [R-CO]	R · CO		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]	D · VA		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 24, 2020
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Sep 24, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 16, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Commerce

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Helping Manufacturers Respond to COVID-19 Act of 2020

This bill authorizes the Department of Commerce to use amounts appropriated for the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership program for FY2021 to provide more than 50% of the capital and annual operating and maintenance funds to establish and support a manufacturing extension center that is unable to meet cost share requirements due to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019). Under current law, this provision of funding is capped at 50%.

A manufacturing extension center works to transfer manufacturing technology and best business practices.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Dec 15, 2020:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Reported by Senator Wicker with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **Dec 15, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 641.
- **Nov 18, 2020:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **Sep 24, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 24, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.