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Assessment of the Indian Health Service Act of 2019

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** SD • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Assessment of the Indian Health Service Act of 2019

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to contract with private entities to assess the health care delivery systems and financial management of the Indian Health Service.

The assessment must cover a variety of areas, including

- the demographics and health care needs of the patient population,
- health care capabilities and resources,
- staffing levels at medical facilities and the productivity of each health care provider,
- information technology strategies related to providing health care,
- business processes,
- the competency of leadership regarding specified issues,
- tracking patients eligible for other federal health care programs, and
- the number of procurement contracts and awards under the Buy Indian Act.

Actions Timeline

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