

## HR 4989

Access to AEDs Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Education

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### Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Nov 5, 2019
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Nov 8, 2019
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Nov 13, 2019
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Nov 13, 2019
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Nov 13, 2019
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Nov 14, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Nov 5, 2019
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 6, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Education

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Access to AEDs Act**

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to award a grant to a health care organization to promote student access to defibrillation in elementary and secondary schools.

Specifically, such access shall be achieved in such schools by

- developing and providing comprehensive materials to establish defibrillation programs,
- providing support for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automated external defibrillator (AED) training programs,
- fostering new and existing community partnerships to promote the importance of defibrillation,
- establishing a clearinghouse database to gather information in a central location regarding sudden cardiac arrest in the pediatric population, and
- providing assistance to secondary school athletic departments for screening student athletes for risk of sudden cardiac arrest.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Nov 6, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Nov 5, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Nov 5, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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.