

HR 5469

Pursuing Equity in Mental Health Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Sep 30, 2020)

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (35 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Adams, Alma S. [D-NC-12]	D · NC		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Cleaver, Emanuel [D-MO-5]	D · MO		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Hayes, Jahana [D-CT-5]	D · CT		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Horsford, Steven [D-NV-4]	D · NV		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Omar, Ilhan [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Dec 18, 2019
Rep. Jackson Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jan 7, 2020
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		Jan 7, 2020
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Jan 24, 2020
Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Jan 24, 2020
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Jan 28, 2020
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Jan 28, 2020
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Jan 29, 2020
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		May 1, 2020
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		May 1, 2020
Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40]	D · CA		May 19, 2020
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		May 19, 2020
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		May 26, 2020
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		May 26, 2020
Rep. Serrano, Jose E. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		May 26, 2020
Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]	D · MD		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Jun 4, 2020
Del. San Nicolas, Michael F. Q. [D-GU-At Large]	D · GU		Jun 15, 2020
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Jun 15, 2020
Rep. Sires, Albio [D-NJ-8]	D · NJ		Jun 15, 2020
Rep. Dean, Madeleine [D-PA-4]	D · PA		Jun 22, 2020
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Jun 22, 2020
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		Jul 13, 2020
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jul 20, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 18, 2019
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 30, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 14	Related bill	Nov 2, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.
116 HR 1109	Related bill	Sep 30, 2020: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
116 S 4388	Related bill	Jul 30, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
116 HR 6637	Related bill	Jul 9, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
116 S 1122	Related bill	Apr 10, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Sep 29, 2020)

Pursuing Equity in Mental Health Act

This bill establishes programs to address racial and ethnic mental health disparities.

Specifically, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration must award grants that address racial and ethnic health disparities by (1) providing integrated health care in areas with a high proportion of racial and ethnic minority groups, and (2) developing national programs for health professionals to reduce such disparities.

The bill also (1) reauthorizes the minority fellowship program to support the education of mental health professionals who provide services to racial and ethnic minorities, and (2) requires studies on mental health disparities and the effects of social media use on adolescents.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 30, 2020:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Energy and Commerce. H. Rept. 116-552.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 452.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Mr. Pallone moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5012-5014)
- **Sep 29, 2020:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 5469.
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5012-5013)
- **Sep 29, 2020:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5012-5013)
- **Sep 29, 2020:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 9, 2020:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Jun 30, 2020:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Dec 18, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 17, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 17, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.