

HR 5897

Preventing Abuse and Neglect of Vulnerable Americans Act of 2020

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. O'Halleran, Tom [D-AZ-1]	D · AZ		Feb 13, 2020
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Feb 21, 2020
Rep. Kirkpatrick, Ann [D-AZ-2]	D · AZ		Feb 21, 2020
Rep. Stanton, Greg [D-AZ-9]	D · AZ		Feb 26, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 13, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3297	Related bill	Feb 13, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
116 S 2574	Related bill	Sep 26, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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This bill requires the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to publish specified information on its website relating to deficiencies of Medicaid intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, including information regarding inspections, complaints, and administrative actions. The CMS must also (1) develop and publish a standardized complaint form for such facilities; and (2) convene an advisory council to recommend ways to prevent abuse, neglect, and exploitation in such facilities.

The bill also allows Medicaid and Medicare providers (e.g., skilled nursing facilities) to access, through the National Practitioner Data Bank, disciplinary information for affiliated physicians and other health care practitioners, as reported by state licensing authorities.

Actions Timeline

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