

HR 6232

To require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, through the National Disaster Medical System, to provide for certain laboratory reimbursement for diagnostic testing for COVID-19 in uninsured individuals.

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Mar 12, 2020

Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (Mar 12, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred To | Mar 12, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 HR 6201 | Related bill | Mar 19, 2020: Engrossment Correction |
| 116 S 3499 | Related bill | Mar 12, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. |

Summary (as of Mar 12, 2020)

This bill provides appropriations for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to reimburse, through the National Disaster Medical System, the costs of providing COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) diagnostic testing and services to individuals without health insurance. This system is a coordinated effort by HHS, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Defense, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, working in collaboration with states and other appropriate public or private entities, that provides health services, health-related social services, and other appropriate services to respond to the needs of victims of a public health emergency.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 12, 2020:** Introduced in House
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