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ACCESS Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		May 5, 2020
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Rep. Himes, James A. [D-CT-4]	D · CT		May 5, 2020
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		May 5, 2020
Rep. Luria, Elaine G. [D-VA-2]	D · VA		May 5, 2020
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		May 5, 2020
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		May 8, 2020
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		May 8, 2020
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		May 8, 2020
Rep. Courtney, Joe [D-CT-2]	D · CT		May 8, 2020
Rep. Heck, Denny [D-WA-10]	D · WA		May 8, 2020
Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]	D · NY		May 8, 2020
Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]	D · WA		May 8, 2020

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Rep. Jeffries, Hakeem S. [D-NY-8]	D · NY		May 8, 2020
Rep. Lee, Susie [D-NV-3]	D · NV		May 8, 2020
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		May 8, 2020
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		May 8, 2020
Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		May 8, 2020
Rep. Rose, Max [D-NY-11]	D · NY		May 8, 2020
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Rep. Barragan, Nanette Diaz [D-CA-44]	D · CA		May 12, 2020
Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]	R · FL		May 12, 2020
Rep. Castro, Joaquin [D-TX-20]	D · TX		May 12, 2020
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		May 12, 2020
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		May 12, 2020
Rep. Stefanik, Elise M. [R-NY-21]	R · NY		May 12, 2020
Rep. Axne, Cynthia [D-IA-3]	D · IA		May 19, 2020
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		May 19, 2020
Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		May 19, 2020
Rep. Espaillat, Adriano [D-NY-13]	D · NY		May 19, 2020
Rep. Haaland, Debra A. [D-NM-1]	D · NM		May 19, 2020
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		May 19, 2020
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		May 19, 2020
Rep. Sarbanes, John P. [D-MD-3]	D · MD		May 19, 2020
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		May 19, 2020
Rep. Wilson, Frederica S. [D-FL-24]	D · FL		May 19, 2020
Rep. Bilirakis, Gus M. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		May 27, 2020
Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]	D · PA		May 27, 2020
Rep. Davis, Rodney [R-IL-13]	R · IL		May 27, 2020
Rep. Holding, George [R-NC-2]	R · NC		May 27, 2020
Rep. Krishnamoorthi, Raja [D-IL-8]	D · IL		May 27, 2020
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		May 27, 2020
Rep. Moulton, Seth [D-MA-6]	D · MA		May 27, 2020
Rep. Spanberger, Abigail Davis [D-VA-7]	D · VA		May 27, 2020
Rep. Thompson, Glenn [R-PA-15]	R · PA		May 27, 2020
Rep. Brindisi, Anthony [D-NY-22]	D · NY		Jun 1, 2020
Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. Katko, John [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. Upton, Fred [R-MI-6]	R · MI		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. Finkenauer, Abby [D-IA-1]	D · IA		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Joyce, David P. [R-OH-14]	R · OH		Jun 15, 2020
Rep. Davis, Susan A. [D-CA-53]	D · CA		Jun 18, 2020
Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Jun 22, 2020
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jun 26, 2020
Rep. Shalala, Donna E. [D-FL-27]	D · FL		Aug 7, 2020

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Rouda, Harley [D-CA-48]	D · CA		Sep 25, 2020
Rep. Cartwright, Matt [D-PA-8]	D · PA		Oct 23, 2020
Rep. Torres Small, Xochitl [D-NM-2]	D · NM		Oct 23, 2020
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		Oct 30, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 10, 2020
Budget Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 10, 2020
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 10, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 14, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3517	Related bill	Mar 18, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Apr 10, 2020)

Advancing Connectivity during the Coronavirus to Ensure Support for Seniors Act or the ACCESS Act

This bill (1) provides appropriations for the Telehealth Resource Center Program of the Office for the Advancement of Telehealth within the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy in the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) to develop telehealth capacity for certain nursing facilities, and (2) directs other activities to increase access to telehealth services in such facilities during the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) public health emergency.

HRSA shall award grants, in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission, to skilled nursing facilities and other nursing facilities to support virtual visits to residents during the emergency.

The Department of Health and Human Services must also provide recommendations related to immediately increasing access, during the emergency, to telehealth services for which Medicare and Medicaid payments are available in skilled and other nursing facilities.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 14, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 10, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 10, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and the Budget, 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.