

HR 6505

Detection and Response to Emerging Highly Communicable Infectious Disease Events Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Emergency Management

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery. (Jun 1, 2020)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 14, 2020
Homeland Security Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 1, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Emergency Management

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 14, 2020)

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This bill directs the National Biosurveillance Integration Center of the Department of Homeland Security to detect, as early as possible, an emerging highly communicable infectious disease event (currently, limited to a biological event) of national concern that presents a risk to the United States or U.S. infrastructure or key assets.

The center shall report to the National Security Council and the congressional homeland security committees within 72 hours of confirmation of such infectious disease event being detected.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 1, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery.
- **Apr 14, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 14, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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.