

HR 6514

Worker Health Coverage Protection Act

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

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Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Apr 24, 2020
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Rep. Demings, Val Butler [D-FL-10]	D · FL		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-11]	D · IL		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]	D · WA		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Maloney, Sean Patrick [D-NY-18]	D · NY		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]	D · WI		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Apr 28, 2020
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Apr 28, 2020
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Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		May 1, 2020
Rep. Garcia, Jesus G. "Chuy" [D-IL-4]	D · IL		May 1, 2020
Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		May 1, 2020
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Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		May 1, 2020
Rep. McNerney, Jerry [D-CA-9]	D · CA		May 1, 2020
Rep. Pingree, Chellie [D-ME-1]	D · ME		May 1, 2020

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Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		May 1, 2020
Rep. Underwood, Lauren [D-IL-14]	D · IL		May 1, 2020
Rep. Schneider, Bradley Scott [D-IL-10]	D · IL		May 5, 2020
Rep. Waters, Maxine [D-CA-43]	D · CA		May 5, 2020
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Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		May 13, 2020
Rep. Meeks, Gregory W. [D-NY-5]	D · NY		May 13, 2020
Rep. Meng, Grace [D-NY-6]	D · NY		May 13, 2020
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Rep. Schiff, Adam B. [D-CA-28]	D · CA		May 13, 2020
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Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		May 15, 2020
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-14]	D · FL		May 15, 2020
Rep. Gonzalez, Vicente [D-TX-15]	D · TX		May 15, 2020
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Rep. Ruppersberger, C. A. Dutch [D-MD-2]	D · MD		May 15, 2020
Rep. Johnson, Eddie Bernice [D-TX-30]	D · TX		May 19, 2020
Rep. Kim, Andy [D-NJ-3]	D · NJ		May 19, 2020
Rep. Lawrence, Brenda L. [D-MI-14]	D · MI		May 19, 2020
Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		May 22, 2020
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		May 22, 2020
Rep. Scanlon, Mary Gay [D-PA-5]	D · PA		Jun 4, 2020
Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Jul 16, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 14, 2020
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 14, 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 4714	Related bill	Sep 24, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (text: CR S5869-5874)
116 HR 6810	Related bill	May 12, 2020: Referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Ways and Means, 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.

Summary (as of Apr 14, 2020)

Worker Health Coverage Protection Act

This bill provides health insurance premium assistance for individuals who become unemployed or are furloughed during or shortly after the coronavirus (i.e., the virus that causes COVID-19) public health emergency. Specifically, the bill treats premiums as paid for up to 15 months for individuals who (1) are terminated from employment and elect to continue insurance coverage through the COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) program or (2) receive a 20% or greater reduction in paid hours but remain eligible for coverage under a group health plan. Assistance is phased out based on adjusted gross income. The bill also specifies requirements for individuals changing, or enrolling in, health plans under the program.

Additionally, the bill requires employers to provide eligible individuals specified written notice about the premium assistance program, including, among other information, available health plan enrollment options and the date that such assistance expires.

The Department of the Treasury must reimburse employers, group health plans, and insurance issuers through a payroll tax credit or refund for unpaid premiums that were treated as paid under the program.

Premium assistance is not considered income for federal income tax purposes.

Actions Timeline

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