

HR 6601

To require a particular jury instruction in Federal civil actions that include a claim for damages based on negligence arising from the transmission of COVID-19.

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** AZ • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Apr 23, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Apr 23, 2020)

This bill requires a specific jury instruction in civil actions in federal court that include a claim alleging negligence arising from the transmission of COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) and a request for damages. Specifically, a court must instruct the jury that negligence may not be found solely on the basis of holding oneself open for business.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 23, 2020:** Introduced in House
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