

HR 6664

Coronavirus Public Safety and Economic Recovery Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Small Business, 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. (May 1, 2020)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Gibbs, Bob [R-OH-7]	R · OH		May 8, 2020
Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1]	R · WV		May 8, 2020
Rep. Stivers, Steve [R-OH-15]	R · OH		May 8, 2020
Rep. Mooney, Alexander X. [R-WV-2]	R · WV		May 15, 2020
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Jun 8, 2020
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 1, 2020
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	May 1, 2020
Small Business Committee	House	Referred To	May 1, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill limits, under certain conditions, a business's liability under federal law for death or disability related to COVID-19 (i.e. coronavirus disease 2019) and promotes alternative dispute resolution mechanisms with respect to such liability.

Specifically, the bill establishes the COVID-19 Response Commission to make recommendations to mitigate the spread of the disease. An individual may not sue a business that follows a national or state guideline aligned with these recommendations unless the individual notifies the business of practices that placed the individual at risk of contracting COVID-19 and the business failed to remedy those practices. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in consultation with the commission, must also provide education for state and local governments and businesses on strategies to minimize exposure to COVID-19.

In addition, the Judicial Conference of the United States must develop an alternative dispute resolution program to resolve federal COVID-19 liability claims, and the Small Business Administration, when awarding certain general business loans, must give priority to states that enact similar laws to limit liability and promote alternative dispute resolution.

Actions Timeline

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