

HR 6810

Health Care Protection Act

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (11 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Gonzalez, Anthony [R-OH-16]	R · OH		May 12, 2020
Rep. Horn, Kendra S. [D-OK-5]	D · OK		May 12, 2020
Rep. Schrader, Kurt [D-OR-5]	D · OR		May 12, 2020
Rep. Torres Small, Xochitl [D-NM-2]	D · NM		May 12, 2020
Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]	R · MO		May 12, 2020
Rep. Fitzpatrick, Brian K. [R-PA-1]	R · PA		May 15, 2020
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Jun 1, 2020
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Jun 8, 2020
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Crist, Charlie [D-FL-13]	D · FL		Jul 9, 2020
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Jul 9, 2020

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	May 12, 2020
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	May 12, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	May 12, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 6514	Related bill	Apr 14, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
116 HR 6379	Related bill	Mar 23, 2020: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, 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 May 12, 2020)

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This bill creates a special health insurance enrollment period and provides premium assistance for the COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) continuation of health coverage program in response to the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) pandemic. First, the bill establishes a 30-day special enrollment period for individuals who do not have coverage to enroll in a qualified health insurance plan through a health insurance exchange.

Second, the bill provides premium assistance for individuals who have been terminated from employment and elected COBRA continuation coverage between March 1, 2020, and December 31, 2020. The bill treats 100% of the premium payments as paid for such individuals for not more than six months. Further, individuals who have not elected COBRA coverage but would be eligible for premium assistance under this bill if they had enrolled in COBRA may enroll in such coverage for 60 days after this bill is enacted. Premium assistance is phased out for individuals earning more than \$125,000.

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, as applicable, for unpaid premiums that were treated as paid under this bill.

Actions Timeline

- **May 12, 2020:** Introduced in House
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