

HR 6988

Helping Gig Economy Workers Act of 2020

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Labor and Employment

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Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor. (May 22, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Miller, Carol D. [R-WV-3]

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

Cosponsors (10 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
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| Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12] | R · OH | | May 22, 2020 |
| Rep. Cuellar, Henry [D-TX-28] | D · TX | | May 22, 2020 |
| Rep. Mooney, Alexander X. [R-WV-2] | R · WV | | May 22, 2020 |
| Rep. Woodall, Rob [R-GA-7] | R · GA | | May 22, 2020 |
| Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11] | R · PA | | May 27, 2020 |
| Rep. Hagedorn, Jim [R-MN-1] | R · MN | | Aug 7, 2020 |
| Rep. King, Steve [R-IA-4] | R · IA | | Aug 7, 2020 |
| Rep. Van Drew, Jefferson [R-NJ-2] | R · NJ | | Aug 7, 2020 |
| Rep. Banks, Jim [R-IN-3] | R · IN | | Aug 22, 2020 |
| Rep. Buck, Ken [R-CO-4] | R · CO | | Aug 22, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Education and Workforce Committee | House | Referred To | May 22, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 S 3773 | Identical bill | May 20, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. |

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This bill temporarily permits digital marketplace companies (e.g., Lyft, DoorDash, Airbnb, etc.) to provide benefits to workers during the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) pandemic without such actions establishing those workers as employees or independent contractors or establishing the company as a joint employer under federal, state, or local laws.

This bill applies to digital marketplace companies that provide, among other things, financial assistance, health benefits, training, health checks and personal protective equipment to individuals working through such marketplaces during the period beginning on March 15, 2020, and ending on the later of June 30, 2021, or the expiration of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Actions Timeline

- **May 22, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **May 22, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.