

## HR 7154

### Outpatient Therapy Modernization and Stabilization Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jun 11, 2020

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on 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. (Jun 11, 2020)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/7154>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Boyle, Brendan F. [D-PA-2]

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

### Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Blunt Rochester, Lisa [D-DE-At Large]	D · DE		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Buchanan, Vern [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-18]	D · PA		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [D-NJ-9]	D · NJ		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Rush, Bobby L. [D-IL-1]	D · IL		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Sherrill, Mikie [D-NJ-11]	D · NJ		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Soto, Darren [D-FL-9]	D · FL		Jun 11, 2020
Rep. Harder, Josh [D-CA-10]	D · CA		Jun 25, 2020
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Jun 25, 2020
Rep. Sewell, Terri A. [D-AL-7]	D · AL		Jun 25, 2020
Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Jul 23, 2020
Rep. Rose, Max [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Jul 31, 2020
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Sep 16, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 11, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 11, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

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No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jun 11, 2020)

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#### **Outpatient Therapy Modernization and Stabilization Act**

This bill modifies payment and funding for certain outpatient therapy services under Medicare.

Among other things, the bill specifically includes physicians, physical therapists, occupational therapists, and other specified practitioners who are enrolled as Medicare suppliers as eligible suppliers who may receive COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) relief funds under the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund.

The bill also permanently allows physical therapists, occupational therapists, and speech-language pathologists to provide telehealth services under Medicare, and includes specified therapy services as eligible Medicare telehealth services. (Currently, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is authorized to waive requirements for Medicare telehealth services during the public health emergency relating to COVID-19, and it has done so to allow all providers that are otherwise eligible to furnish in-person services under Medicare to also furnish telehealth services.)

### Actions Timeline

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