

## HR 7916

Removing Barriers to Basic Needs Act of 2020

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Agriculture and Food

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations. (Sep 11, 2020)

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

**Cosponsors** (59 total)

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Rep. Pressley, Ayanna [D-MA-7]	D · MA		Jul 31, 2020
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Rep. Smith, Adam [D-WA-9]	D · WA		Jul 31, 2020
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		Jul 31, 2020
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Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Jul 31, 2020
Rep. Watson Coleman, Bonnie [D-NJ-12]	D · NJ		Jul 31, 2020
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Rep. Chu, Judy [D-CA-27]	D · CA		Aug 4, 2020
Rep. Payne, Donald M., Jr. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Aug 4, 2020
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Aug 4, 2020
Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		Aug 4, 2020

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Aug 11, 2020
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Aug 11, 2020
Rep. Hastings, Alcee L. [D-FL-20]	D · FL		Aug 11, 2020
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Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Dec 7, 2020
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Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]	D · MA		Dec 14, 2020
Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Dec 15, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 11, 2020
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 31, 2020

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Agriculture and Food

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jul 31, 2020)

### Removing Barriers to Basic Needs Act of 2020

This bill modifies eligibility requirements under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as the food stamp program) to temporarily waive requirements related to the denial of assistance and benefits for certain drug-related convictions.

Any state law, policy, or regulation that imposes conditions on eligibility for SNAP and TANF based on an individual's conviction of an offense related to a controlled substance shall have no force or effect until December 31, 2022.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 11, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations.
- **Jul 31, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 31, 2020:** Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.