

HR 8114

Emergency Support for Nursing Homes and Elder Justice Reform Act of 2020

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Aug 25, 2020

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, Ways and Means, and Education and Labor, 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. (Aug 25, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Wagner, Ann [R-MO-2]

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

Cosponsors (2 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Hill, J. French [R-AR-2] | R · AR | | Aug 25, 2020 |
| Rep. Balderson, Troy [R-OH-12] | R · OH | | Sep 29, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Education and Workforce Committee | House | Referred To | Aug 25, 2020 |
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred To | Aug 25, 2020 |
| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred To | Aug 25, 2020 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred To | Aug 25, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 S 3703 | Related bill | Dec 22, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-252. |
| 116 HR 6813 | Related bill | Oct 19, 2020: Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 571. |
| 116 S 4182 | Identical bill | Jul 2, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

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This bill establishes a series of requirements relating to the quality of care provided in nursing and long-term care facilities, specifically with respect to COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) and elder abuse, and also modifies and extends several elder justice programs and initiatives.

Among other things, the bill (1) requires a portion of any funds received through COVID-19 appropriations to be used for personal protective equipment and testing in Medicare skilled nursing facilities (SNFs), Medicaid nursing facilities (NFs), and long-term care facilities, including assisted living facilities, and for specialized strike teams to address outbreaks in SNFs and NFs; (2) requires SNFs, NFs, and long-term care facilities to report COVID-19 cases and deaths, as well as unrelated deaths, from January 1, 2020, onwards and on a continual daily basis; and (3) requires a specified portion of COVID-19 appropriations to be directed to state and tribal agencies responsible for adult protective services.

Additionally, the bill reauthorizes through FY2023 (1) grants to support state long-term care ombudsman programs, (2) elder abuse forensic centers, and (3) grants to support state adult protective services.

Actions Timeline

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