

## HR 8308

### Telehealth Coverage and Payment Parity Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. (Sep 17, 2020)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Phillips, Dean [D-MN-3]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Chabot, Steve [R-OH-1]	R · OH		Sep 17, 2020
Rep. Morelle, Joseph D. [D-NY-25]	D · NY		Sep 17, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 17, 2020

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 3741	Related bill	<b>May 14, 2020:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
116 HR 6644	Related bill	<b>Apr 28, 2020:</b> Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on 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.

## **Telehealth Coverage and Payment Parity Act**

This bill requires private health insurance plans to cover certain services provided via telecommunications systems (i.e., telehealth). Specifically, the telehealth services must be deemed medically necessary by a health care provider and covered under the plan if provided in person. Plans must apply the same cost-sharing and reimbursement amounts that would otherwise apply to such services and may waive cost-sharing requirements for any services to diagnose or treat COVID-19, including via telehealth.

## **Actions Timeline**

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